



Dear Parents,

By the end of this quarter, kindergartners should be able to:

Oral Language

- Carry on conversations
- Ask and answer questions to clarify
- Speak audibly to express thoughts, feelings and ideas clearly

Decoding

- Follow words from left to right, top to bottom and page by page
- Recognize and name all upper and lowercase letters of the alphabet
- Recognize and produce rhyming words (listening, no print)
- Blend and segment syllables in spoken words (listening, no print)
- Identify initial, medial and final sounds in words (listening, no print)
- Recognize and produce some consonant sounds
- Read some CVC words (cat, man, fit)
- Read at least 4 sight words
- Read grade appropriate texts

Comprehension

- Retell familiar stories
- Identify characters, setting and major events in a story
- Identify the topic of a book and retell key details
- Name the author and illustrator of a story
- Use words to describe objects in categories
- Understand the differences between words describing the same general action (walk, march, strut, prance)

Writing

- Use knowledge of letters and sounds when writing to:
 - tell stories
 - explain
 - state an opinion

Social Studies

- Discuss wants and needs
- Explain why people use and save money
- Discuss ways people use resources
- Explain how weather affects our daily lives
- Identify the purpose of national holidays: Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving