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| SUBJECT | TOPIC | SUGGESTIONS FOR SUPPORT AT HOME |
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| Reading | In Reading Workshop this month, our kindergarten readers will be reading and learning about nonfiction books. We will be learning real facts and new vocabulary and sharing the information with our partners. We will also be reading more than one book on a topic and comparing and contrasting the facts we learn. In addition, we will be using the pictures in our books to learn new facts. | As you read with your child at home, have your child say the word slowly to listen for the first sound. Then, they can re-read by saying the word slowly to hear the next sound. Readers will reread a word and try to put all the letter sounds together until it makes sense. Readers can look at the pictures to see if it matches the word. Make sure you monitor their reading and question them as they are reading along. Please have your child read nightly from Benchmark Universe! |
| Writing | In Writing Workshop this month, children will begin to write All About Books. They will write about topics that they are experts at. For example, All About P.S. 24, or All About Their Favorite Pet. | At home, please have conversations with your child about topics they are experts on. Topics can include All About Their Family, or All About the Library. |
| Math | In Math Workshop children are learning numbers from 0 to 10. They are using the rekenrek, counters, and cubes to represent different combinations of those numbers. They will learn to describe amounts that are equal to, less than, or greater than each other. They will compare by matching numbers and become more fluent in counting from a given number. They will also start learning how to solve word problems. | At home, you can have your child solve addition word problems. For example, I see ten red apples in the box. Three are red and the rest are green. How many apples are green? Have your child draw a picture to represent red and green apples. Ask them which box has more and which box has less. |
| Science | Kindergarteners are continuing to explore the topic of "Matter in Our World." They will compare the three states of matter: solid, liquid and gas. Students will classify or group objects according to their form of matter and learn about changes in the states of matter, such as ice to water to gas. Students are discovering the properties of liquids including, which objects freeze and melt. They will make predictions about the outcomes of various experiments involving liquids. | At home, parents and their children can enjoy spending time together reinforcing the concept of freezing and melting. Children can experiment on which liquids can freeze and how long it takes for them to freeze. Next, grab a bucket of water and let the fun begin! |
| Social Studies | In Social Studies, children are learning about different kinds of families and the roles and responsibilities of each family member. They will be comparing how families are the same and how they are different. They will learn about their family's traditions, customs and how we celebrate different holidays. | At home, talk about the members of your family and what they do for the family. Discuss how your family might be the same or different from other families. Discuss different traditions that are carried by your family from generation to generation. |

Focus of the Month: Math

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***First Friday- "A Parents As Partners Workshop" On Wednesday, February 15, 2017. Kindergarten will be celebrating 100th Day in school. Our students are 100 days smarter. Please come and see how and why!**

***Mid-Winter Recess:** (Including Washington's Birthday and Lincoln's Birthday observed) **February 20th through February 26th, 2016-** Schools are closed. School resumes Monday, February 27th, 2017