

BELUGA BUZZ

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Does a pumpkin float or sink?

(Brady, Hunter and Owen)

Important Dates

- November 7th-Brianna's birthday
- November 10th - Parent Council Meeting
- November 14th - 50th Day of School Celebration Spirit Wear: 1950's themed
- November 21st-Charlee's birthday
- November 21st-Friendship soup
- November 23rd- Cadence and Charlotte W.'s birthday
- November 24th - 28th - No School- Thanksgiving Break
- November 25th-Haizley's birthday
- December 16th- Christmas Concert 2:00 in Gym December 19th- Christmas Party

November Share:

During the month of November we emphasize the importance of family, showing gratitude and getting along with others. I am asking each student to bring in a family picture for your child to share and then it will be added to our family wall. See calendar (sent home in Tuesday folders) for when it is your child's share day. Picture can be brought in before their share day. 4x6 preferred.

Highlights from the Beluga Classroom

-During the month of October we studied Nursery Rhymes and Pumpkins! We completed a KWL (what we know, want to learn and what we learned) chart. Students recited 9 famous Nursery Rhymes and then had a culminating event which included teaching a loved one what it's like to be in the Beluga classroom. We:

- Learning about pumpkins through the lens of a scientist
- Primary and Secondary colors
- Completed a writing prompt answering the question, "What are you an expert at?" We worked on this over three days.
- Learned about 2D shapes beyond the most traditional ones. New ones; trapezoid, hexagon, pentagon and Octagon.
- Learned new math vocabulary; reverse number order, polygon, attributes and vertices.
- New sight words: like, can, my, and, was to name a few.
- Used pictures to think about what we already know and talk about informational text.
- Sounding like a storyteller when reading a book we

During the month of November we are:

- *learning about Dinosaurs (completing a KWL chart)
- * 2D and 3D shapes and their attributes
- *Numbers bonds
- *Facts families
- *Writing a number sentence when adding within 10 and beyond.
- *North America unit
- *Describing fair ways for groups to make decisions
- *Narrative writing across multiple pages
- *Bring writing to life by adding speech bubbles and dialogue
- *Sight words
- *Partner reading
- *Learning CVC words
- *Surfer letters (handwriting)
- * Working together to be problem solvers
- *Learning how to be generous and show our gratitude
- *Friendship
- *Long-legged Turkey craft

WEEK AT A GLANCE:

MONDAY: LIBRARY 12:35-1:10
TUESDAY: MUSIC 12:35-1:10
WEDNESDAY: ART 12:35-1:10
THURSDAY: GYM 12:35-1:10

Birthdays of the Month

Happy birthday to the following student(s) (and teachers) who will be celebrating their birthday in the month of November:

Brianna-November 7th
Charlee- November 21st
Cadence-November 23rd
Charlotte W.-November 23rd
Haizley-November 25th



Friendly Reminders

- *Send a water bottle your child can keep in his/her cubby for quick and easy water breaks.
- *Please label any outwear; this includes sweaters.
- *November share-be sure to bring in a family picture for your child to share and then add to our family wall. See calendar for your child's share day. Picture can be brought in before their share day.

Proper Outerwear/Changing Weather

*With the weather changing and temperatures dropping, please make sure your child is appropriately dressed to go out to recess. If the temperature drops below 55 degrees students must have a light jacket/coat or sweater on. Every day we go out to recess weather permitting. There is NO indoor recess option this year. If we stay in the whole class will stay in and it will be due to rain or if the temperature drops below 0. 😊 Also, make sure all items are labeled. Thank you!

Friendship Soup Day

On Friday, November 21st, we will be making "Friendship Soup." We'll read the story Stone Soup, a folktale that teaches us the value of what we can accomplish when we all come together and share! As a class, we're going to make our own version of Stone Soup (yes - there will be a stone!) and each child will have a chance to contribute to our vegetable style soup via sign up genius. Any extra non-perishable cans will be the start of our annual canned food drive for families in need. Look for a sign up to be coming your way soon!

50th Day of School- 1950's Celebration

Part of our daily routine includes counting the days we've been in school. This gives children practice each day counting verbally, with one to one correspondence, and of course building number sense with tens and ones which will lead into place value. One of the milestones we celebrate with this activity is the 50th day of school! This will take place on Friday, November 14th. Students may come to school in 1950's style spirit wear including leather jackets, jeans, poodle skirts, patent leather saddle shoes, etc.

Character Corner Problem Solving:

In Beluga we talk a lot about solving problems by using our words. If you don't like something that is being said or done to you, then use your words and or use the hand motion telling the other student to please stop. Ask your child what the movement is for letting someone know you'd like them to please stop. We talk about how sometimes friends are trying to be silly with us and if we are laughing back then they don't know we don't like what they are doing or saying. Another way we use our words to solve problems is by checking in on friends if we accidentally hurt them or make a poor choice that affects another person. If this happens the child will go over, with support from the teacher if needed, and ask them if they are okay, if not they ask how they can fix it. Then the conversation between the two students will end by offering a hug, high five or hand shake to extend their apology.

Beluga Pictures:

- ★Learning all about Pumpkins
 - ★Literacy Showcase
 - ★Mother Goose Olympics
 - ★Peer Sharing at the carpet
- ★Mixing colors to make Secondary colors
 - ★Egg Experiment
 - ★Halloween Shape craft (will be added to their quality work binders)
- ★Nursery Rhymes
 - ★Halloween Party

