



The Jones Journal

March 14, 2024



Jett spells sight words in sand center.

THE PAST TWO WEEKS WE...

...have continued reading several versions of different fairy tales, including some fractured fairy tales. A fractured fairy tale is a retelling of a traditional fairy tale where some of the story elements are changed. We are making a list of story elements to reference as we read new books.

FYI

A very sincere "thank you" goes out to everyone who helped make Teacher Appreciation Week so special! All the flowers, classroom supplies, sweet notes, gift cards, and pictures brightened each day! The week before Spring Break, PTO had amazing snacks, breakfasts, lunches, drinks, etc. for all the teachers. I am grateful to Anders' and Arlin's sweet moms for watching the class one day while I enjoyed a delicious meal with other teachers! I send the love and appreciation back to all of you amazing moms and dads out there! THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!!

NEEDED

We are going to Premier Spirit Academy (PSA) for our 3rd nine weeks Behavior Celebration TOMORROW! If you have not

returned the two permission forms, I have placed copies in your child's Take Home Folder. Please pay the \$5 fee online at www.myschoolbucks.com/.

PARENT READING

This week's reading is titled *Stop letting your kids stare at iPads in restaurants, science says*.

Two years ago, I was catching up on some national news and ran across this article. I couldn't resist sharing with parents. There are many benefits to meaningful conversations during family dinners and a host of resources to help facilitate those conversations. Keeping a jar full of kid-friendly, open-ended questions on the table helps when the only thing that comes to mind is "What did you do today?"

Think about questions that are...pure curiosity, whimsical that introduces a new perspective, prompt your child to talk about their success, address what's missing, inviting other family members into the conversation, etc. The article is attached to the same email as this newsletter. It can also be found on our classroom's blog (mrssjonesclass.blogspot.com) on the right side under *Suggested Parent Readings*.

DATES TO REMEMBER

March 15 – Behavior Celebration (PSA)

28 – Kindergarten Checklists go home

April 5 – Dad's League @ 7:00

March Journals go home

12 – No School

ONE LAST THING

I wanted to remind everyone that Friday, April 26 is the *tentative* date for our Montgomery Zoo field trip. With every kindergarten student attending the same day, all parents are encouraged to join us!

