

# Sanders' Scribbles



Weeks of August 27<sup>th</sup> – September 7<sup>th</sup>



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Each month, we get to name an Explorer of the Month. This person is someone who follows the classroom expectations and is the best example of a CWES Explorer. This month, our class nominated Anna as our Explorer of the month! After a class discussion, the children decided that Anna met all of the criteria. She is safe, a good friend, respectful and takes care of the things in our classroom.

The Specials Teachers also get to choose an Explorer of the Month. I am so excited to say that Luke was Kindergarten's Explorer of the Month for Music and Charlie was Kindergarten's Explorer of the month for art!

## This week in our class...

When the children arrived last Monday morning, they found that three of our class pets had come back to school. The frogs, Tad, Swimmy and Froggy are happily back in their home at the Science Center. Then, this Tuesday, our newest pet, a lions mane rabbit joined our class. We haven't named her yet, but we are really enjoying getting to know her!

Last Monday, we also got to celebrate Hannah's birthday. Happy Birthday Hannah

Finally, I really enjoyed talking with everyone last night during our Tours & Talks. If you were not able to attend, the packet from last night should be in your child's backpack. Please let me know if you have any questions!

### Shared Reading

For the past two weeks, we have been reading books, playing games and doing activities that are helping us to learn all about our new classmates. We've been having such a great time that we don't even realize that we're learning! We read *Chrysanthemum* and counted the letters in our name to see who had the longest name. We practiced the letters C & O and learned a lot about the parts of a book!

### Theme

We are really working hard to build our classroom community. Last week, we talked about being safe. This is the 1<sup>st</sup> of our class expectations. This week, we talked about being a good friend. The children had lots of ideas on how to be a good friend. We read books, made a web of our ideas and tried to practice being a good friend with our classmates. Be sure to ask your child to tell you about the ways they can be a good friend.

Sight words for the 1st Nine Weeks  
I, a, can, see, like, the, we, to, and, go

## Shared Journals

We began Shared Journals this week and it is going FANTASTIC! While we are learning the Shared Journal process, we are only having 1 friend share each day. If your child does something that they want to share for journal, please remind them to tell me that they have something to share about. In order to share, their story must:

- be real (not made up)
- have happened to them
- be recent and not something that they did a long time ago

## Character Ed.

This week, with the help of Tom Cat and Taby Cat, we talked about impulse control, voice volume and giving our best effort. As Kinders, impulse control and voice volume are a bit hard for us. We will really need to practice a lot on these two!

Next week, we will talk about feelings and the correct ways to express our feelings.

## Life Skills with Levi the Lion

"Everything I needed to know,, I learned in Kindergarten!" -Robert Fulghum

We love, love, love Levi the Lion's life skills lessons! I even ordered a stuffed animal lion that looks just like the pictures of Levi the Lion in our book!

This week, we learned how to wash our hands the right way! This is so important if we want to stay healthy.

We are still remembering to use a napkin when we eat! I love that some of the children automatically get their napkins and put them in their lap! Our floor and clothes are much cleaner now!

## Important Dates and Notes

- Wednesday, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>: Explore Specials Night 6-8 pm
- Thursday, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>: Fall Pictures
- Wednesday, Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>: Talk Like a Pirate Day (more info to come)
- Monday, Sept. 24: Auburn Reads Kickoff at the mall (more info to come)

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Please let me know your username so that I can accept you. I am not going to accept anyone that is not connected to our class.