Algonquin Parent News

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The Algonquin Way

The educators at Algonquin will actively commit to creating a stimulating, language-rich classroom environment that is developmentally appropriate, implements best practices, and is differentiated to meet the needs of every student. The classroom will capture the individuality of the whole child, encourage students' curiosity and creativity, and prepare them for future success.

Special Thanks to all of our Donors who made it possible for Algonquin to provide a gift to EVERY student!!!



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Every Student received a present!!! No worries, if your student was out sick, they can receive their present upon return.



Happy New Year! I would like to extend best wishes to all for a Happy and Healthy New Year. It's a pleasure to welcome all of the children, teachers and staff back to school (January 5th and 6th) after a long, well deserved break. Just a reminder that as we welcome the winter season, children must be dressed appropriately for school and to play outdoors during our gross motor time. Coats, hats, mittens or gloves, and boots are a must this time of year. Please put your child's name inside their belongings and keep in mind, that little people loose their items often. Algonquin School is not responsible for lost items.

The Learning Continues; math opportunities to explore at home

The Path to Math: More Word Problems for Preschoolers



Do you know a preschooler who easily solves simple word problems that involve adding and taking away? That child may be ready to apply those math skills to part-to-whole relationship questions and problems that involve comparing sets of objects. (See Illinois Early Learning and Development Benchmarks 6.A.ECa, 6.B.ECc, 6.B.ECd, and 6.B.ECe.)

Older preschoolers may be ready for questions about parts and wholes.

- · Keep in mind that you may need to explain words such as whole, part, and collection before introducing these word problems.
- · You could ask the child to start with the parts of a set or group. For example, you might say, "There are two parts to Min-Yung's coin collection-4 pennies and 2 dimes. How many coins do you think there are in his whole collection?"
- · You can also ask questions that start with a whole set or group. For example, "Min-Yung's whole coin collection has 6 coins. Four are pennies. The rest are dimes. How many dimes do you think he has?"
- · You might ask children to think about splitting up whole items into equal parts. They seem to especially enjoy this activity when food is involved. "Here's the pizza we made together. How many pieces do you think I should cut so everyone at the table gets a slice?

Some preschoolers are ready for word problems that compare two sets of objects.

- · Before asking children to solve these problems, you may need to explain words like quantity, compare, amount, more, most, fewer, and less.
- · You could ask a child to compare quantities. For example, "Winona has 6 pennies and Yusuf has 4. Who do you think has more pennies?" "How many more pennies do you think
- · When a child can solve problems like this with ease, you can also try reversing the "known" and "unknown" amounts. "Winona has 6 pennies. She has 2 more pennies than Yusuf has. How many do you think Yusuf has?"
- · You might want to try comparison problems that have more than one answer. For example, "Yusuf has 4 pennies. Winona has fewer pennies than that. How many pennies could she



Children may enjoy word problems more if they do not feel they must compete to answer the question first.

- · If you are working with several children, give them each a chance to reply. Ask each child, "How did you get your answer?" or "What makes you think so?" (The way a child thinks about a problem can be just as important as having a "right" answer.)
- Let children use objects to work out their answers.
- When each child has answered, ask the group to talk about which answer to the problem makes the most sense



For related Web resources, see "The Path to Math: More Word Problems for Preschoolers" at http://illinoisearlylearning.org/tips.htm.

Here is a look at what is happening at Algonquin as we kick off 2023 together!



January 5th 10:45 Early Dismissal January 6th 10:45 Early Dismissal January 12th 6:30 pm Early Childhood Network January 13th Preschool Screening January 16th We Celebrate Dr. King--No School January 19th 10:45 Early Dismissal January 27th Family Playgroups

Flannel & Pajamas Day!!!



Reading is one of our most important goals!!!

During the month of December, our children left the school with quite a few books. The teachers prepared a winter break packet that was accompanied with The Three Little Pigs Book. We received a generous donation from the Friends of Algonquin; delivered by Mrs. Anna Washington with hard cover books of various titles for all of our Kindergarten bound students. We also received a very generous donation of books from the Jane Leach Foundation for every student in our school. Jane Leach taught kindergarten and retired from school district 163.

Parents, we have a school-wide goal of reading 100 books by the 100th day of school!!! Please send us pictures via Class Dojo of you or siblings reading to our students. We would love to have your help!!!









Candy Cane Hunt & Dance







Breakfast & Lunch Menus

Breakfast

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Morry Christmas	Morry Christmas	Merry Christmas	Strawberry Oatmeal Bars (140 Cal, 23g Carbs) Animal Crackers (120 Cal, 22g Carbs) Seasonal Fruit Cereal Option Offered Daily	Blueberry Muffins (160 Cal, 26g Carbs) Mozzarella String Cheese (60 Cal, 1g Carbs) Seasonal Fruit Cereal Option Offered Daily
Trix Cereal Bar (150 Cat, 30g Carbs) Mozzarella String Cheese (60 Cat, 1g Carbs) Seasonal Fruit Cereal Option Offered Daily	Mini Waffles (200 Cot, 35g Corbs) Seasonal Fruit Cereal Option Offered Daily	Raisin Bagel (170 Cal, 34g Carbs) Plain Cream Cheese (60 Cal, 1g Carbs) Seasonal Fruit Cereal Option Offered Daily	Mini Pancake Sausage Wrap (260 Col, 30g Corbs) Seasonal Fruit Cereal Option Offered Daily	Triple Cherry Yogurt (80 Col., 15g Carbs) Granola (129 Cal., 25g Carbs) Seasonal Fruit Cereal Option Offered Daily
HAPPY AMARTIN LUTHER KING DAY • *	Apple Oatmeal Bars (140 Cot, 23g Corbs) Honey Grahams (130 Cot, 23g Corbs) Seasonal Fruit Cereal Option Offered Daily	Carbs)	Turkey Sausage (70 Cal, 1g Carbs) Hashbrowns (120 Cal, 15g Carbs) Seasonal Fruit Cereal Option Offered Daily	Banana Muffin (190 Cat, 30g Carbs) Mozzarella String Cheese (60 Cat, 1g Carbs) Seasonal Fruit Cereal Option Offered Daily
Frosted Flakes (100 Cal, 25g Carbs) Emojii Crackers (120 Cal, 21g Carbs) Seasonal Fruit Cereal Option Offered Daily	Hashbrowns (120 Col. 15g Corbs) Turkey Sausage (70 Col. 1g Corbs) Seasonal Fruit Cereal Option Offered Daily	Wheat Bagel (160 Col. 33g Corbs) Plain Cream Cheese (60 Col. 1g Corbs) Seasonal Fruit Cereal Option Offered Daily	WG Biscuit (100 Cat, 14g Carbs) Chicken Sausage Patties (100 Cal, 1g Carbs) Seasonal Fruit Cereal Option Offered Daily	
WG Cinnamon Poptart (370 Cot, 76g Corbs) Mozzarella String Cheese (60 Cot, 1g Corbs) Seasonal Fruit Cereal Option Offered Daily	Buttermilk Waffles (170 Cot. 22g Corbs) Turkey Sausage (70 Cot. 1g Corbs) Seasonal Fruit Cereal Option Offered Daily			

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Morry Christmas	Mory Christmas	Merry Christmas	Cheese Breadstick (260 Cat, 28g Carbs) Marinara (50 Cat, 10g Carbs) Green Beans (19 Cat, 4g Carbs) Seasonal Fruit	Carbs) Turkey Sausage (70 Cal, 1g
Beef Burrito (273 Cal, 2/g Corbs) Cilantro Lime Rice (53 Cal, 1/g Carbs) Corn (67 Cal, 1/6g Carbs) Seasonal Fruit	Carbs)	11 Confetti Spaghetti (198 Col., 19g Corbs) Rolls (176 Col., 30g Corbs) Broccoli (26 Col. 5g Corbs) Seasonal Fruit	12 Sloppy Joe (345 Cal. 36g Carbs) Combread (NOS Cal. 18g Carbs) Mixed Veggies (70 Cal. 12g Carbs) Seasonal Fruit	Pizza With Ground Beef Topping (294 Col, 31g Corbs) Romaine Garden Salad (79 Col. 4g Corbs) Hummus (183 Col. 22g Corbs) Seasonal Fruit
HAPPY AMARTIN LUTHER KING DAY + *	Carbs) Marinara (50 Cal, 10g Carbs) Corn on the Cob (90 Cal, 19g	Beef Hot Dog (120 Cal, 21g Carbs) Hot Dog Bun (120 Cal, 21g Carbs) Baked Beans (140 Cal, 29g Carbs) Tater Tots (150 Cal, 19g Carbs) Seasonal Fruit	Chili Cheese Fries Vegetable Chili (224 Cot, 27g Corbs) Oven Fries (120 Cot, 21g Corbs) Shredded Cheddar Cheese (110 Cot, 1g Corbs) Broccoli (26 Cot, 5g Corbs) Seasonal Fruit	29g Carbs)
WG Penne Rigatoni Pasta (220 Col. 43g Corbs) Meat Balls (195 Col. 8g Corbs) Marinara (50 Col. 10g Corbs) Green Peas (70 Col. 12g Corbs) Seasonal Fruit	 Sliced American Cheese (70 Cal, 1g Carbs) WG Burger Bun (100 Cal, 19g 	Chicken Tenders (260 Cot. 16g Corbs) Buttermilik Waffles (170 Cot. 22g Corbs) Diced Carrots (30 Cot. 7g Corbs) Seasonal Fruit	26 - Baked Potatoes (128 Col. 25g Carbs) - Diced Chicken (130 Col. 1g Carbs) - Broccoli (26 Col. 5g Carbs) - Seasonal Fruit	Pizza With Cheese Topping /296 Col. 33g Corbs) Romaine Garden Salad (19 Col. 4g Corbs) Hummus (183 Col. 22g Corbs) Seasonal Fruit
Cheese Quesadilla (39g Corbs) Corn and Beans (140 Col. 24g Corbs) Seasonal Fruit	31 Macaroni and Cheese (325 Cot. 33g Corbs) Broccoli (26 Cot. 5g Corbs) WG Breadstick (70 Cot. 14g Corbs) Seasonal Fruit			



