

Monroe - Message From the Principal



January 9, 2023

Welcome back and Happy New Year! Last week was a short week back but also a great start to the new year. I hope all families enjoyed the holiday season and had time to create many special memories.

We are back in the swing of things here at school. This week starts the winter benchmark assessment window. Over the next few weeks, teachers will be working with students to check in on progress from the beginning of the school year to now. It is always exciting to see how much students have grown in these few short months. Some ways that families can support at home include sending your child to school every day (if possible), rested and ready to give his/her best effort on the assessments. Be sure to offer your child a little extra positive encouragement and a reminder that we are all proud of him/her for just doing their best to help us understand current skill levels so that we can plan next steps. Please reach out to your child's teacher if you have questions or would like more information about these important assessments.

Reminders this week include:

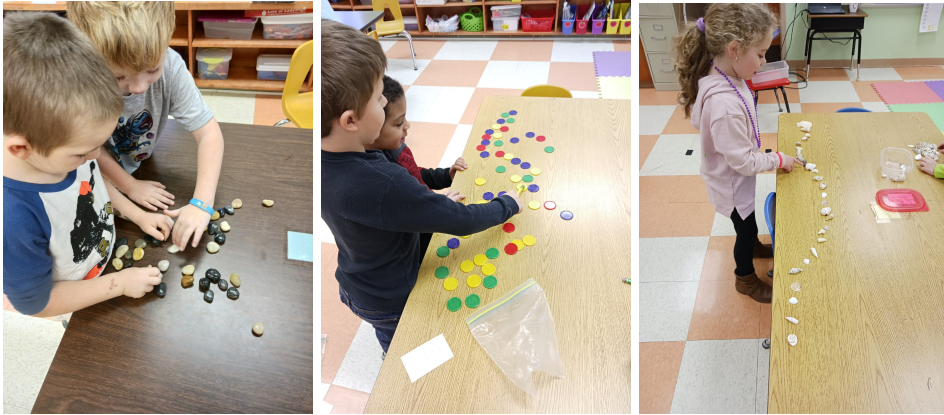

Please send your child to school dressed appropriately for the weather with pants, close toed shoes, jackets, hats, mittens, snow pants, boots, etc.

RSU 3 HAS RECEIVED FREE AT HOME COVID-19 TEST KITS FROM A FEDERAL PROGRAM. EVERY STUDENT AND STAFF MEMBER WHO WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A KIT SHOULD CALL THEIR SCHOOL'S MAIN OFFICE.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me if you have questions, concerns, or need support for your child or your family. Have a great week!

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K	<div data-bbox="362 205 1300 617">  </div> <p>One of our new math routines in Kindergarten is Counting Collections. We are working to count large groups of objects, and exploring to find efficient ways to count them accurately. One of the ways we have found so far is to make groups of ten. This activity is a lot of fun (and more challenging) to do with a partner!</p>
2/3	<p>Our class LOVES our tech time with Mr. Bennett. This week we used lego robotics kits, and everyone was fully engaged!</p> <div data-bbox="362 890 1148 1220">  </div>
4/5	<p>In ¼ we started a new book, “Alone in the Woods” by Rebecca Behrens. Students also finished up reading group books and started an informational writing unit and human body systems research.</p>
SEL	<p>This week at Monroe, all grades had a discussion about our PAWS and what it will look like in our class for the rest of the year. We came up with classroom expectations as well new activities we would like to try later on in the year.</p>
Garden	<p>We continued our investigation of cows this week, in honor of our Adopt-a-Cow, Glow! Our youngest students made cute cow faces that are hanging in our display case, while the 4/5 students made cow cubes.</p>