

Dear Kindergarten Families,

Listed below are the kindergarten fourth quarter benchmarks. These are skills your child will be learning in the fourth grading period in kindergarten. Please work with your child at home on these skills to help in his/her academic achievement. Thank you!

# Fourth Quarter Benchmarks

## Phonemic Awareness

- Letter sounds
- Blend sounds into words
- Segment sounds in words
- Substitute and delete sounds in words
- Add sounds to words

## Fluency

- Recognize upper and lower case letters in random order
- Recognize sight words introduced in class

## Writing

- Stay on topic
- Include beginning and ending
- Include several complete thoughts
- Use supporting details
- Adequate word choice
- Generally use all sounds in words
- Spaces between words
- Spell sight words correctly
- Use some punctuation
- Capital letter at beginning of sentences



## Oral Language

- Retell a story and include ..... in sequence without much prompting from the teacher
- Use vocabulary from text in retelling
- Refer to characters using specific names
- Respond with interpretation that reflects higher-level thinking
- Provide insightful response to teacher questions
- Use appropriate vocabulary

## Math

- Time (day, month, year, yesterday, today, tomorrow)
- Identify activities that take more or less time
- Length and width (direct and indirect measurement)
- Weight (direct and indirect measurement)
- Estimate and compare measurements
- Demonstrate and describe the effects of putting together and taking apart sets of objects (addition and subtraction)
- Knows strategies for solving number problems
- Demonstrate an awareness of addition and subtraction in everyday activities
- Use informal methods, such as pictures, concrete materials, and role playing, to solve real world problems.