

Dear Parents,

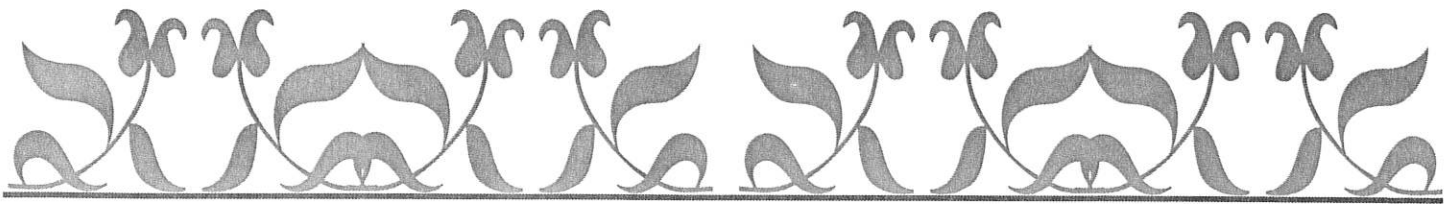
As we begin summer vacation, we would encourage the students to continue to practice the skills they have worked so hard to learn this school year, so they can begin first grade with confidence. Attached please find activities to guide your students as they exercise their brains this summer. These activities are meant to be quick, fun "brain boosts". They are in the form of BINGO boards. Mrs. Lepp will be offering rewards for rows of BINGO and extra rewards for a "Blackout BINGO" (whole card)!

We have also included a list of skills we have mastered this year that will be essential for first grade. This is a great resource for you to reflect on as the students complete their BINGO activities. This year more than ever before, we will need to keep our students academically strong over the summer break. I hope you will find these activities both helpful and enjoyable! Please have your students return their BINGO boards to Mrs. Lepp at the start of next school year.

Have a safe, restful, and fun-filled summer vacation!

God bless,

Mrs. Klinge and Mrs. Gowarty



Here are some concepts your child should practice over the summer so they are prepared for First Grade.

### **Reading and Writing -**

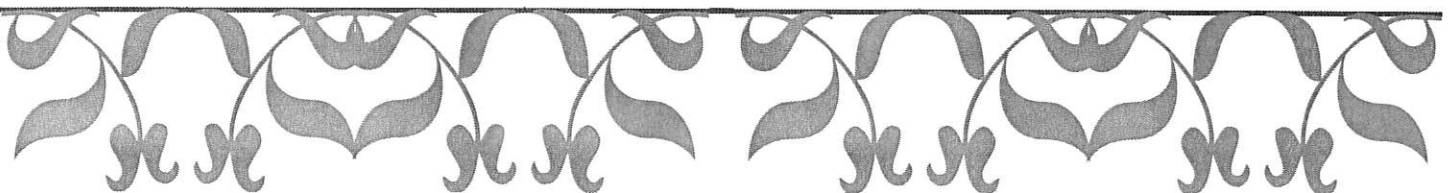
- Write and recognize upper- and lowercase letters in correct form.
- Match letters to sounds, make rhymes, and recognize some words without having to sound them out ( the sight words).
- Ask and answer questions about a story the teacher reads aloud, and talk about the characters, settings, and major events in the story.
- Name the person, place, thing, or idea in a picture.
- Follow the rules of conversation by listening and taking turns talking.
- Give information about an event, topic, or opinion by drawing, talking, and writing about it.
- Participate in shared reading and writing activities (for example, the teacher reads a big picture book aloud and students take turns sharing ideas about it).
- Write and spell untaught words phonetically.
- Write complete sentences with correct capitalization and punctuation.

### **Math Concepts -**

- Count how many objects are in a group (one by one) and compare it to another group to tell which is greater or less than the other.
- Recognize that addition means putting two groups together and that subtraction means taking away from one group.
- Add and subtract numbers 1 through 10.
- Write numbers in correct form and order to 50.
- Recognize and draw 2D and 3 D shapes.
- Identify the different coins and tell what its value is.

### **Personal Behavior -**

- Distinguish left from right.
- Work independently at a desk.
- Listen to longer sets of directions.
- Complete homework and bring it back the next day.
- Sit in a chair for a longer period of time.
- Relate to and repeat experiences in greater detail and in a logical way after listening.



# Kindergarten Sight Words

(words we know without sounding them out)

the	a	is	it
see	I	we	go
to	look	at	in
and	of	you	he
was	for	on	are
as	with	his	my
be	by	or	all
that	they	this	have
from	not	one	had
me	can	she	do
make	but	your	said
on	how	if	like
out	what	when	up

# Reading - Writing Bingo

Read a book to a stuffed animal.	Practice 10 sight words in chalk outside	Put lowercase letters in alphabetical order	Make sight words out of playdoh	Read a story and tell someone about the beginning, middle and end.
Write a funny story 3 sentences or more.	Write 10 sight words that you have trouble with.	Write all the words you can for the -ap word family	Circle all the sight words you can read on a cereal box.	Make a Sight Word Hop Scotch—write them all on paper and arrange in a hop-scotch pattern.
Write a note to someone far away—mail it by snail mail	You did something awesome - write the where when and what happened.	HAPPY 4th of JULY (free spot)	Write a story summary—who, where, why?	Write the morning news
Play Sight Word Bingo— <a href="https://www.sightwordsgame.com/sightwordgames/bingo/">https://www.sightwordsgame.com/sightwordgames/bingo/</a>	Paint your sight words—water colors or markers	Write a grocery list	Write a list of books you have read	Take a walk—write what you see
Read a book to a family member or friend	Write a different ending to a story	Read a recipe and try it out!	List all your favorite foods	How many words can you find in watermelon –eg. mate

# Math Bingo

Measure things with a ruler and tell how many inches—round to nearest inch.	Practice writing numbers to 50.	Put items in size order smallest to biggest—rocks, boxes, toys.	Make numbers out of playdoh	Count how many sight words you can read.
Go to the store and buy something with change.	Practice adding coins together.	Tell the time to the hour. Write it down.	Count out your cereal to 100 pieces.	Make a hopscotch but count by 5s.
Count how many pieces of mail you get in a week. (bonus—graph it)	Write the days of the week in order.	HAPPY 4th of JULY (free spot)	Write the months of the year in order	Fill in the calendar dates.
Count how many steps to the end of your street with a grown up.	Tell someone the time.	Count how many clouds in the sky on a puffy cloud day.	Make 2 groups of flowers or leaves add them together.	Take a walk—count how many cars you see.
Make 1 pile of leaves— practice subtracting some	Help mom or dad sort coins—tell them which pile is what coin.	Ask everyone what their favorite ice cream is— make a graph	Count your stairs by 2s.	Write your numbers to 100