



March 4th thru 8th - Dr. Seuss Week

March 9th – Saturday Academy at PKMS from 10:00 am - 1:00 pm and the Peekskill City St. Patrick's Day Parade at 3:00 pm (Please arrive by 2:30 pm)

March 13th - District Wide Music in Our Schools Sing Along at 7:00 pm at PKMS

March 26th - 28th – School Wide Book Fair

March 27th - Kindergarten Report Cards go home

March 28th - Family Literacy Night from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm

March 29th - PBIS Sparkle Assembly for Kindergarten at 2:15 pm

> PBIS Info March Theme: PERSEVERANCE PBIS Ceremony March 29th

at 2:15 pm Those students who are being honored will receive an invitation for their families to attend.

PBIS April Book:

Stand Tall Molly Lou Melon by Patty Lovell

Theme – Courage

..... Websites to check out:

Raz-Kids - www.raz-kids.com - a place your child can read books daily to build comprehension and stamina. Contact your child's teacher if you don't know your child's login.

Scholastic Book Wizard -

www.scholastic.com/teachers/bookwizard/ - A great resource for finding books at your child's reading level.

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School News

WHAT WE ARE LEARNING THIS MONTH*

VOODSIDE

Writing: Students are beginning to write narrative stories. They will be learning to craft stories across pages and attempting to craft interesting sentences. Students will also learn to use a checklist to make powerful stories and learn to add dialogue. All students will publish a piece of writing at the end of the unit of study. Please discuss and support your child's writing journey daily through the following recommendations and don't forget to ask them about their publishing celebration! 😳

At home: Discuss the parts of a good story. Read favorite stories repeatedly and discuss what makes the stories interesting.

Reading: Woodside readers are discussing story elements such as character, setting, problem and solution as well as the moral of a story. Students will learn and discuss how these elements help them understand what the story is all about.

At home: Please read to your children every night and point out these story elements as you read with them. Ask them to point out what they notice about each one of the story elements and discuss what the story was all about.

Math: Units of Measurement – Students are continuing their exploration of measurement for the next 3 weeks and will then begin to work on number sentences and quick facts that make 5.

At home: Please support this learning by exploring how tall things are. Utilize simple objects to measure things around the house. Also please support your child with counting simple objects and making combinations of 5. For example 2 spoons + 3 forks = 5

Music: Students will review singing Music in the Schools Month songs with expressive movement and circle dancing. Students will add tambourines and maracas together keeping steady beat with the songs. Students will review character education songs based on friendship, kindness and being me.

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Attendance Matters - Woodside Launches its Attendance Initiative!

Throughout the remainder of the year we will be celebrating the students with perfect attendance at the end of each month. Our PBIS program will now include an Attendance Bee who will be celebrated and most especially, recognized at each assembly. The students will walk the red carpet with an Attendance Super Hero Cape and receive a special photo op! These students will also be awarded a certificate of special recognition. We have also initiated a friendly competition throughout the school. Classes will compete against each other for the ultimate fun day in June! The class with the highest attendance percentage will be awarded a whole day of fun activities. Our bulletin board will TRACK attendance monthly by class. The classes that consistently lead will be rewarded with a menu of fun learning centered activities. Please be sure to discuss the building blocks of attendance with your child as we continue to unfold our initiative. More to follow!

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The Building Blocks of perfect attendance

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