



September 22, 2023

Dear Parents,

We had a tremendous week with Ms. T and her terrifically tall teeth. We had fun painting “T” shirts for our end-of-the-year art book and made a circle map chart of so many words that begin with T. Ms. T also taught us a lot about our teeth. We began incorporating the PLTW STEM program into this lesson by learning how to keep our teeth and our bodies healthy. This is our 1st out of 4 modules we will be using throughout the year from our PLTW program. In this module, we learned that we have 20 “baby” teeth that must be brushed twice a day. We need to floss regularly and visit the dentist twice each year. We also began learning about our 5 senses and had a taste test to tell whether we like different foods or not. Below is a description of the PLTW program.

PLTW: The PLTW “Project Lead The Way” program provides transformative learning experiences for PreK-12 students and teachers across the U.S. Through this program, the pathways in computer science, engineering, and biomedical science engage students in hands-on activities, projects, and problems; empower them to solve real-world challenges; and inspire them to reimagine how they see themselves. PLTW Launch program for PreK taps into students’ exploratory nature, engages them in learning that feels like play, and encourages them to keep discovering – now and for whatever future they choose.

The Every Day Words used this week were: *I, you, like, and, are, and to.*

Show and Tell for the week of September 25th is something beginning with the letter N. If your child is absent on their Show and Tell day, they may bring it the day they return to school.

Notes:

- You should have received an email from our Room Parent. Please reach out to me if you did not get anything, as we would like to make sure all of our parents are receiving the information being sent. Thank you!
- Spirit Week begins next week. PreK does not attend the morning assembly or pep-rally, but our students may participate in the dress up days as listed in *The Cardinal Chronicles* on the school website.

Important Dates:

- September 25th - Spirit Week begins
- September 26th - Return Library books
- September 29th - Cardinal Fun Run Kick-Off
- October 6th - Living Rosary
- October 13th - Cardinal Fun Run Day, Early Dismissal: Little Cardinals dismiss at 10:45
- October 20th - Virtual School Day (No school for Little Cardinals)

<p style="text-align: center;">Math Enrichment</p> <p>Gather small objects that are found in a toolbox (washers, screws, nuts, bolts, etc.) Have your child sort them into groups then ask why he/she chose to sort the objects that way. They can also put these items together and take apart for a great fine-motor activity.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Fine Motor & Counting Enrichment</p> <p>Have your child use the 3 handwriting fingers to pinch off playdoh and roll it into small balls. Then, have them count out the balls and count that number on their fingers.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Phonemic Awareness</p> <p>*Break apart the 1st word slowly</p> <p>Does mag-i-cal say musical? Does peb-ble say pebble? Does med-i-cine say medicine? Does in-ves-ti-gate say investigate? Does u-ni-corn say uniform? Does com-mun-i-ty say community?</p>
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Thank you for your continued support and have a great weekend!

All our love,
Ms. LaCombe & Mrs. Kristi