

# Team Kinder



## Kindergarten News

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Thank you to all of the wonderful volunteers that made Field Day possible. The kids really enjoyed participating in all of the different events. The snacks and snow cones were also a very popular stop! ☺

Last week in writing, we began our series on Author's as Mentors. We read books by Angela Johnson and tried to write using some of her techniques. We learned that when you read something that you like that an author did that you can try it in your own writing. You will notice in the small moments that your child wrote that they experimented with using a dot, dot, dot to make their writing more interesting. ☺

We continued our study of fairy tale elements by reading and comparing different versions of The Princess and the Pea, Rapunzel, and Cinderella. The kids really enjoyed noticing how each author made his/her own interpretation of the original tale. It would be wonderful to build on this unit, by continuing to read fairy tales and folktales over the summer. There are so many great stories and versions available.

Our focus in math was to tell time by reading analog and digital clocks to the hour. The children heard several fun stories that involved telling time to the hour. Ask your child to share with you what happened in What Time is it, Mr. Crocodile? and 8 O'Clock. If you do not have an analog clock at home, now would be a great time to purchase one so that your child can continue to practice telling time.

### Student Appreciation Week

The Kindergarten teachers are taking time this week to show their appreciation to the wonderful Kindergarten students at OVES.

☑ Tuesday, June 1st - Puzzle Day! Students are invited to bring in their favorite puzzles to share.

☑ Wednesday, June 4<sup>th</sup> - Game Day! Students are invited to bring in their favorite board game to share with their friends. Please make sure your child knows the rules and can play without adult assistance.

☑ Thursday, June 3rd - Graduation Day! We are looking forward to a very special ceremony. We will gather outside afterwards for photos.

☑ Friday, June 4<sup>th</sup> - Fairy Tale Ball! Kindergarteners come dressed in costume for a terrific last day of school and our exciting end of the year party. Parents are welcome to attend the ball.

### Important Dates

Student/Staff Holiday	5/31
Kindergarten Graduation 8:30 am	6/3
Fairy Tale Ball 1:45	6/4

### Kindergarten Reminders:

- **Fairy Tale Ball** - interview sheets are due back by Friday June 4th. We can't wait to hear what fairy tale or folktale character they each have decided to come as on Friday! Please look for your child's invitation to the Fairy Tale Ball in his/her Monday Folder.
- **Graduation** will begin at 8:30am on Thursday, 6/3. After the ceremony we will go outside by the playground for photo opportunities, so don't forget your camera. Please be sure to return to your child's classroom after the photos to pick up your child's cap and tassel as well as a copy of our class memory CD.
- **Fairy Tale Ball** excitement is in the air. We can't wait to see what fairy tale or folktale character each of the kindergarten children have decided to come as on Friday. We are looking forward to wearing our costumes all day and celebrating the end to a wonderful school year at the Fairy Tale Ball! ☺