

## February 2018

Dear Parents.

Next week we are concentrating on the Letter LI and reading a lot of stories with the II sound. New words are: that, are, and do.

Spelling are in the -ot family. Study words like dot, lot, pot, cot and hot. We have had fun with word searches and students should write the spelling words 3x or more each night. We will also review words we have had in the -an family, -ed family, -op words and -at words.

Math will be hands-on, as we will be exploring decks of playing cards. We are learning less than and equal to, along with greater than, as we play "war" with a partner. It's amazing how numbers on cards are so much easier than when we have them on a paper practice sheet. You might try this at home. Don't forget to teach your child how to play "52 Card Pick-up" and put the four different suites in order from 2-10, J, Q, K and Ace. This is a great activity for numbering in order. We are also working with subtraction!

We will be playing some sight word games next week, also, and hope that you are going over the words on our calendar each week. When a book comes home, read it aloud to your child, then each read a page, followed by having your child read the book by his/herself.

It may be cold next week, so please have the gloves, hats, scarves by the door ready to go each morning. Our lost and found area has many unmarked items. Check to see what you're missing before they are sent to the Goodwill.

I hope the kids are getting their Valentines made and addressed on their own. This is a project for them. The Valentine boxes that have come in already are so cute, and everyone is excited to tell about the fun they had making them. Thanks for taking the time to do that!

Have a good weekend!

Mrs. Swingley