

Jungle Junction News

February 13, 2012

News From the Room:

Happy Valentine's Day!! Please remember for tomorrow to pre address your Valentines and confirm that you have one for everyone. We will be having a party that morning from about 9:30- 10:30. We will be decorating cookies, making cards, playing Valentines games and creating a craft. It should be a lot of fun! Thank you so much for those of you who sent in donations today!

There are a couple of "Reading Housekeeping" announcements I would like to make. First of all, many of the children have begun checking out Chapter Books in the Library. While this is exciting, I do not want it to get out of hand. ☺ I have told them to only check out 1 Chapter Book. They can check out another picture book on their level to read and take an AR quiz on. Some are trying to check out 2 Chapter Books (especially Magic Tree House books) and then getting confused and having a hard time with the AR quiz. Also, I have begun to assign reading for many of them through **Guided Reading** Groups. This should be **First Priority**- not AR. I have notified the children that if they come to guided reading without their books and/or assignment completed, they will lose a dime. It is not fair to hold back the children that are completing their work. I appreciate your support in this!

Our first Friday store was a HUGE success!! Thank you so much for all the donations! I REALLY appreciate it! They enjoyed getting to count their money and make decisions on what to buy. ☺ Here is a reminder of things that can still be contributed: Candy, toys, stickers, or anything else that might suit their interest. Thanks!

I also wanted to send out a friendly reminder that when your child is out of school, PLEASE make sure to write a separate note that can go to the office explaining their absence. Otherwise, it will go unexcused.

Curriculum Corner:

Language Arts: In writing, we are beginning the research for our research paper.

Math: We are learning about Fractions.

Science: We are finishing Shadows

Social Studies: We will finish continents and begin our unit on George Washington

Carver

Snack: Haven

Dates to Remember:

February 14th- Valentine's Day Party

February 20th- No School

February 23rd- Publix Math Night