

Dear Parents,

With most of the learning of routines behind us, we have now jumped into a lot of the academic works and have seen enthusiasm from many students at the new challenges.

Week in a Glance:

We've have had a lot of fun with apples! We graphed apples, sorted apples, balanced apples (Ten Apples Up on Top by Dr. Seuss) and next week we will even teach the children how to cut and serve apples to their friends. Thank you for all the generous apple donations.

In **art** the children learned about different types of lines (straight, wavy, zig-zag, loops, dashes) and they drew lines with oil pastels and painted them with watercolors. They turned out beautiful. We are saving a lot of the art work to display during our Celebration of Learning which will take place on November 21st.

In **music** this week, the children were all given the chance to use wooden egg shakers and hand drums. They are still practicing on marching to the beat of the music, but now they are incorporating marching while playing an instrument. Multitasking at it's finest.

During **P.E.**, the children were taught the game "Sharks and Minnows". The children are learning how to play group games and how to follow directions. Again, multitasking at it's finest.

Snack:

If your **child's name begins** with the **letter D**, it's your child's turn to **donate snack** for the week. Please remember that we try to have a low sugar (if possible) snack each day. If you are able, please provide a snack for 54 children for at *least* 1 day during the week. Please be advised, we do have a child with a serious allergy to Nuts

Tracy Aviary-Our first field trip is scheduled for Thursday September 21st. We plan on **leaving the school at 9:30 am** on an AISU bus and plan to **return to AISU by 1:30**, at the latest. We also plan on **eating lunch at the Aviary**, weather permitting, so please **send your child with a sack lunch** if you did not sign up for a school lunch. If you can't remember if you signed up for a school lunch, please email us and we will remind you. **All children come at 8:30 on this day and leave at 3:00, unless you want to check them out when we return.**

Cider Social School Carnival: **Thursday, September 28th** from 3:30-7:00 on the AISU field. Unlimited rides \$10, Unlimited Rides and Carnival Games \$12, Unlimited Rides, Carnival Games, and a Meal Deal \$14, Single Tickets are 4/\$1 (Games are 2 tickets; rides are 2-4 tickets and the rock wall is 10 tickets)

Reading Horizons: We **highly encourage** all families to utilize the literacy program, **Reading Horizons**, at home as much as possible. It's such an amazing online supplement to our literacy program and we see the benefits from those students who use it on a regular basis. AISU has already paid for an account for each child so all you need to do is login.

Reading Horizons Website:

Login: <http://www.americaninternationalschool.rhdiscovery.com>

Password: child's name with the first letter of last name, no capitals

Example- For **Sherry Spence** it would be: sherrys

for **George Washington** it would be: georgew

If it asks for a site ID, it is, *americaninternationalschool*

Please remember, when using Reading Horizons at home, you can support your child but **DO NOT** do it for them. The program is designed to adjust the level of difficulty with the correct or incorrect answers. If it has been done for them at home it makes it more difficult at school and then your child gets frustrated

Upcoming:

September 21st: Field trip to Tracy Aviary. The donation for this field trip is \$5 or you can pay \$40 for the entire year. You can pay your donation in the front office or you can pay online [here](#) under the **donation tab** then click the kindergarten class field trip.

September 28th: Elementary Cider Social 3:30-7:00~ There has been **date changed** from the **21st to the 28th** This is the Elementary School Carnival and the kids LOVE to come and socialize with all their friends!

October 3rd & 5th: Student Led Conferences: This is a time to come and have your child show you around the classroom and talk to the teachers. You can sign up for a scheduled time [here](#).

October 10th: Field trip to Cornbelly's - The donation for this field trip is \$5. Please be sure you pay the front office **ASAP**

October 12th: Bring a Bike Day- 3:30-5:00~ Come for a free hot dog and bottled water and ride the obstacle course. This should be a fun event for all elementary students.

October 13th: Movie Night 7:00

October 16th-20th: Fall Break- NO SCHOOL

October 27th-Fire Safety Trailer from Murray Fire Department

October 31st-Halloween School Parade @ 9:00 am and Class Party following parade. **ALL STUDENTS COME 9:00-11:15**(Unless you are an all day student)

Your children are so much fun and we have the best job at AISU!!! Thank you for giving us the opportunity to teach and learn from each of your children.

The Dragonfly Team~
Sherry, Kim, Katie and Angie

"Peace is what every human being is craving for, and it can be brought about by humanity through the child"
-Maria Montessori