

Friday, November 2, 2007

Dear Parents:

This was the first week of the Healthy Me unit. I really enjoyed seeing the baby clothes the children brought in on Tuesday to help them learn, "I have grown a lot since I was a baby and I am still growing." Your child should have brought home five little books this week to add to their personal library. The Big and Little Book was Halloween Safety. The Kinderfriends book was Fruit Salad. The Phonics Library book was The Birthday Party. The two Word and Picture books were I See My (Friends) and I See My (Reflection).

Parent/Teacher conferences begin on Monday. They will run all next week with the final opportunity to meet on Wednesday, November 14. You should have received a notice of a scheduled time for your parent/teacher conference. If you cannot attend at the scheduled time, please call the school office and the secretary will assist you in making a new appointment. I am looking forward to meeting with you and discussing your child's progress.

Did you know that California state law allows parents/guardians to take time from work to attend school conferences and events? Use the Internet to find out more about this law by going to CTA's web page, "Family Involvement Tips" at <http://www.cta.org/community/family/>

Divided into two categories, Parents and the Home and Parents and the School, this section provides you with hands-on activities for family participation outside of the school setting, and tips and ideas for working with teachers on campus. Among other resources, in this section you'll find the popular brochure Your Child's Education Begins at Home: Seven Steps to Help your Child Learn in a variety of languages to serve multiple communities.

To make our limited time together more productive, I am sending home a sheet entitled, "Conference Concerns". Return this form to me with your child as soon as possible so that I can prepare to address specific concerns. If you wish, you may also bring the form with you to the conference if you are more comfortable doing that.

Remember - NO SCHOOL on Monday, Nov. 12 in observance of Veterans' Day