

April Activities

April was very busy in the first grade room! We adopted and cared for marigold seeds in a necklace that we wore to keep them warm. Next, when they grew roots, we planted them in pots and put them in the sunny window in our classroom. We are anxiously waiting for them to sprout! We also learned about insects and spent the whole week painting and designing bumblebees to hang outside of our class. It was really fun to work on an ongoing project. Finally, we enjoyed a relaxing april vacation and went on 2 field trips. We saw Cambodian dancing on Monday at the JFK Library and then saw Charlotte's Web at the Wheelock Theatre. At Base, we even took a one mile walk down to Sunset Lake to enjoy Friday's beautiful weather. During station days, we had tried out wheel of fortune, I spy collages, and parachute games in the gym. It was a fun and exciting vacation!

Homework Policy

Everyday we are faced with the dreaded Homework time. The first grade teachers have devised a new plan to make sure that the homework will get done in a timely manner so we can have ample time to work on our projects. Each day the first graders get their homework from their cubbies, get their folder and bag checked by the teacher at the door and then work for 20 minutes in the classroom. When they are finished they return their work to their bags and check their name off on the chart outside the classroom door. This chart is to help the students to be responsible for their own work. We hope this information is helpful to you and as always if you would like to make any specifications for your child's homework you can fill out a new Homework contract.

Snack Time

Snack is served every day at B.A.S.E when the students arrive after school. We have a range of snacks and we also eat our own recipes from kitchen day! There are many children and we can only serve one snack per day. If your student finds that they tend to not like the snack, they are welcome to bring their own or keep one as a standby in their backpack.



May Happenings

In May we will definitely be focusing on practicing for our big show! We have been learning sign language for the song "I Hope You Dance" and we cannot wait to show off our new skills! We also have been working hard on the first grade performance of "Lollipop". Outside of rehearsals we will be learning about monochromatic color schemes and the rainbow during Color week. During Wildlife week we will read and discuss Dr.Seuss' book "The Lorax." It should be a busy and fun month!



End of the Year Show

On May 20th, B.A.S.E kids will all be performing in an End of the Year Performance at East Middle School at 6pm. First Graders will be singing and dancing to the Chordette's song "Lollipop". We will be practicing every Monday and Thursday after Homework time. We have passed out the lyrics we will be using to the students. For costumes we have decided to have everyone wear lots of bright colors to make our performance look like a candy land. We are also asking for each child to bring in a hat that can be decorated by May 6th. Please let us know if you have any questions.



W.E.B. Classes

W.E.B is a Saturday program that has started at B.A.S.E. Weekends Educating Braintree offers classes in Art, Music, Drama and French. Currently, Miss Nicky is hosting a mixed age Art class from 10:30-11:30. We hope to do this program again in the fall with more classes and many more students. We need your help to get the word out! Look for more advertisement in the fall and sign up fast!

Coming Up:
5/3 B.A.S.E Auction
5/20 End of the Year Show
5/25 B.A.S.E. is Closed