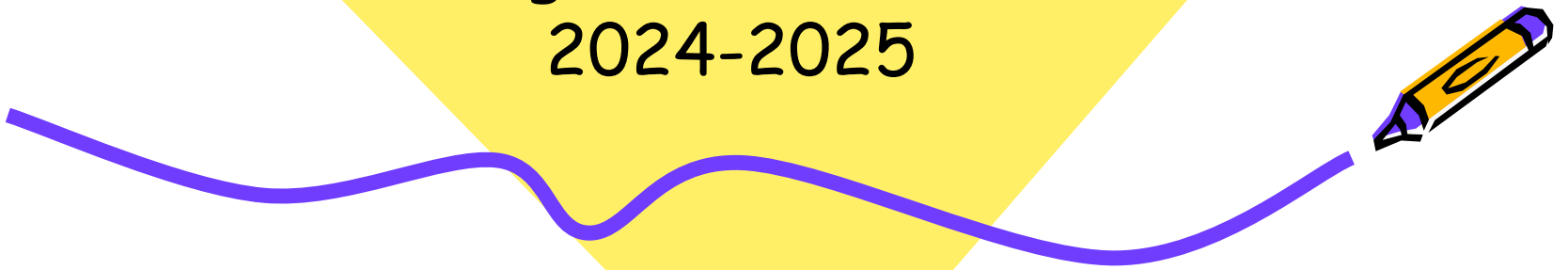




Franklin Sherman

Kindergarten Orientation
2024-2025



The Parent-Teacher
Association (PTA)
Welcomes you to
Franklin Sherman
Elementary

www.fsespta.org





About the PTA

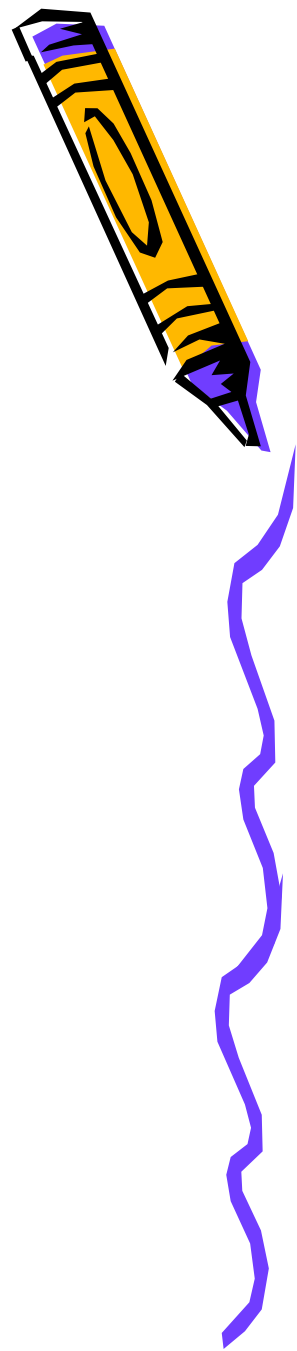
- Liaison between parents and school administration
- After-school Activities
- Community events
- Family Culture Fest
- School Directory
- Staff Appreciation

PTA To Do's

- Sign up for our weekly newsletter (www.fsespta.org)
- Join the PTA (www.fsespta.org)
- Buy your child's Supply Kit
- Kindergarten Playdates
- Beginning of Year Open House
- Get involved! (ktbroom@gmail.com)



Is Your Child Ready?



Oral Language, Reading and Writing

- ❑ Recognizes first and last name
- ❑ **Can write first name in lowercase letters**
- ❑ Retells favorite stories
- ❑ **Identifies most upper-case letters**
- ❑ **Identifies some lower-case letters**
- ❑ Knows sounds for some letters
- ❑ Understands when two words rhyme
- ❑ Answers simple questions
- ❑ Attempts writing to express ideas
- ❑ Recognizes environmental print

Mathematics

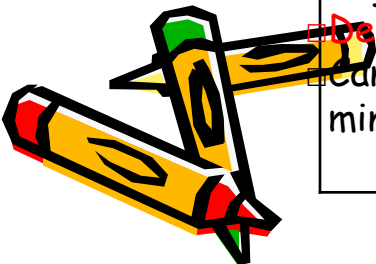
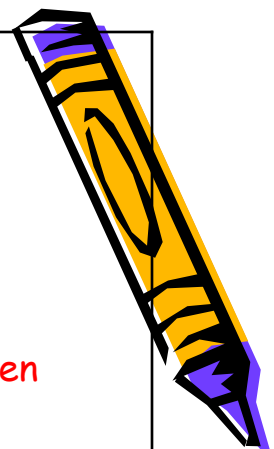
- ❑ Identifies basic shapes
- ❑ Sorts objects
- ❑ Knows color words
- ❑ **Counts to ten**
- ❑ Plays counting games
- ❑ **Touches or points to objects when counting, matching 1 to 1**
- ❑ **Recognizes numbers 0-10**
- ❑ Makes a basic shape or color pattern

Social and Emotional

- ❑ Takes turns
- ❑ Makes choices and tries new things
- ❑ **Uses self-help skills**
- ❑ Begins to show self-confidence
- ❑ **Expresses thoughts and feelings verbally**
- ❑ **Respects adults**
- ❑ Shows kindness to others
- ❑ Begins to demonstrate empathy
- ❑ **Demonstrates increasing impulse control**
- ❑ Can attend to a story for at least 10 minutes

Fine and Gross Motor

- ❑ Throws and catches a ball
- ❑ Buttons and zips
- ❑ **Uses crayons and pencils with a functional grasp**
- ❑ Holds writing utensils with a pincer grasp
- ❑ Hops, jumps, runs and climbs
- ❑ Assembles puzzles
- ❑ Traces objects
- ❑ **Can use scissors to cut paper**
- ❑ **Ability to use an iPad**



A Typical Day

- Morning Meeting
- Combination of small and large group instruction
- Opportunities for independent exploration
- Recess
- Lunch
- Snack
- Free Choice Stations
- Specials (FLES, Art, Music, STEAM, P.E., Library)



I hear and I forget

I see and I remember

I do and I understand

-Confucius



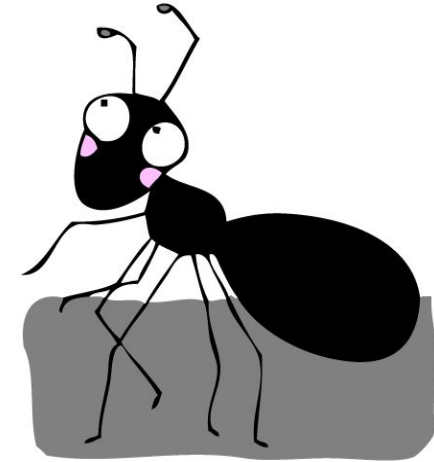
Areas of Focus

- Reading Workshop
- Writing Workshop
- Phonics Workshop
- Math Workshop
- Social Studies
- Science
- Social and Emotional Development
- Fine and Gross Motor Development



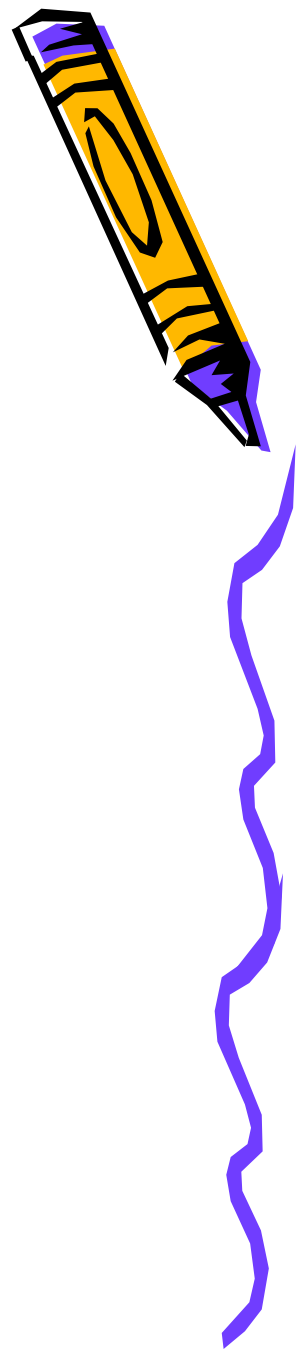
Integrated Curriculum

Ants



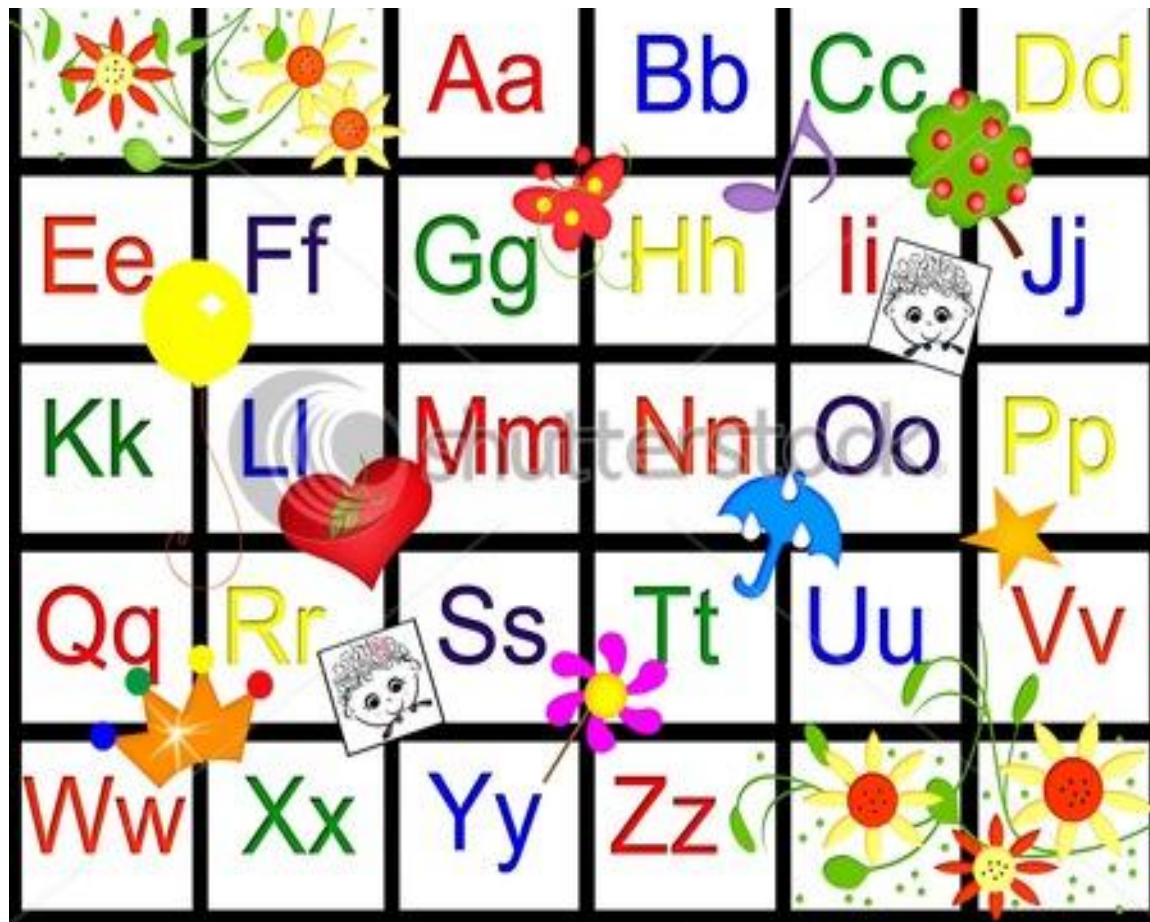
- **Science:** life cycle of animals, habitats, body structure of insects
- **Math:** construct math story problems about ants
- **Social Studies:** structures and functions of ant colonies
- **Language Arts:** shared reading (fiction and non-fiction), ant farm journals, audio-visual instruction, songs and poems.





**What is the Best Predictor
of Reading Success?**





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Letter Recognition Upon Entering Kindergarten

What At-Risk Readers Need
Educational Leadership, March 2011



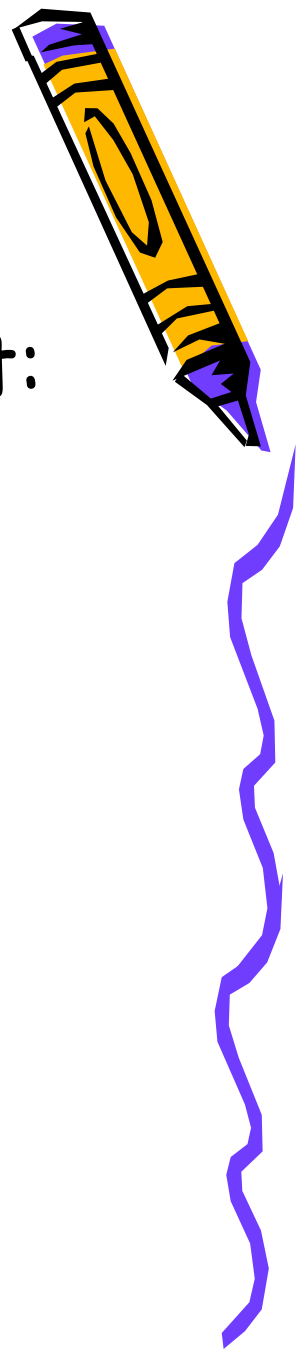
Summer Assessments

Sign Up for a 10-minute appointment:

Thursday, August 1st (9:00-3:00)

Monday, August 5th (11:00-6:00)

Wednesday, August 7th (9:00-4:00)

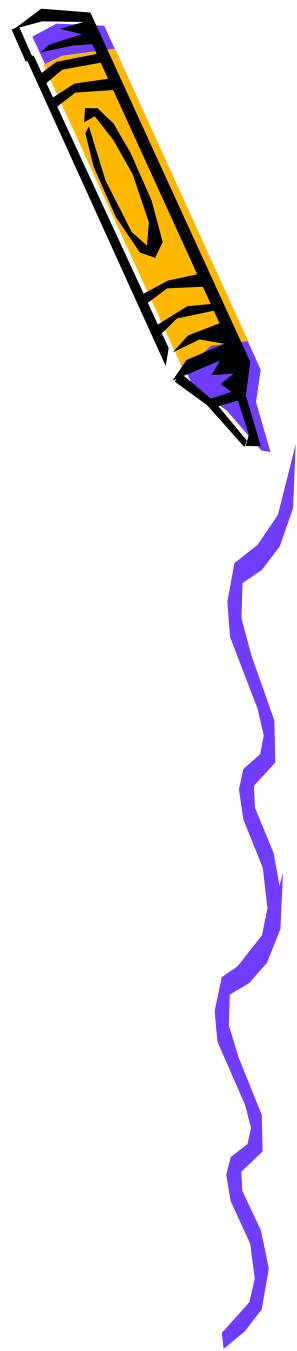


Any Questions?

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Thank you for listening. We look forward to working with you and your child in the fall. Have a great summer!

- Today, in the cafeteria you can do your online Kindergarten registration!



Kindergarten Rocks!

Let's hear from previous
kindergarteners on why
Kindergarten Rocks!



Welcome from the Franklin Sherman Clinic

