

February 15, 2019

Dear Parents,

Thank you to all of our kindergarten parents for attending the 100<sup>th</sup> Day Concert yesterday. The children loved performing for you and they did an amazing job! A special thanks to Mrs. Beja, our music teacher, for all of her hard work in preparing the children and planning such a special event.

Whether you will be home or away on a trip next week, the teachers, staff, and I hope you enjoy the time with your children. As you know, taking a break from school doesn't have to mean taking a break from learning! There are so many ways you can build your child's vocabulary and knowledge base through reading, talking, and exploring while on vacation from school. If your family will be traveling, show your child the place on a map. Notice and name the city, state, or country and nearby landforms or surrounding bodies of water. Use the computer or iPad to view photos and videos of the place to find out a little bit about the land or the people who live there. Just a few minutes of reading, viewing, and discussion can go a long way in building your child's knowledge base about the world.

If you will be staying home next week, there are many opportunities for learning (and fun!) in our area. Try visiting the CSH Library, Fish Hatchery, and Whaling Museum for Winter Break activities. Our local aquariums, zoos, and museums (e.g. L.I. Aquarium, Children's Museum, Cradle of Aviation) make for some wonderful day trips.

Whatever you do, try to squeeze in some time to read and play board games with your child. Also, remember that you have the **Family Focus Super Hero HW Choice Board** to complete! Just spending some quiet time with your children will mean so much to them. Enjoy every minute. [Family Focus HERO Week.docx](#)

Have a great vacation!

Warm regards,

Lynn Herschlein