



September

Community Helpers Curriculum Highlights



Smart-E-Pants, LLC

Welcome to an exciting new year at Smart-E-Pants. September is always a bit of a transition month. Many of our students are first time preschoolers, while others need some time to get back into the fall routine.

We will be spending the first two weeks helping our students learn the ropes. We will be doing evaluations to determine how best to group them during "table time," and we will be introducing our thematic unit: "Community Helper's".

Our feature colors for the month are red, yellow and blue. Our shape of month is the circle.

In our language arts cur-

riculum we will be continuing with our "explode the code" workbooks. Explode the code offers a systematic phonics program including: Phonetic elements and patterns sequenced together with phonics teaching to help understand how the sound-symbol relationship can be mastered. To strengthen fine motor and vocabulary skills. In some of our younger students, we will practice cutting, tracing and sorting with tongs and flash cards. Ms. Kathrynne and Ms. Lily will also be reinforcing much of this during Spanish & Math table time.

During circle time we will be using our attendance bears to help the kids recognize their names and colors. We

will also be introducing some of our new students to Pockets.

Pockets is our show-n-tell bear who will be accompanying one student home each evening. Please remember that students may bring no more than **3 small items**.

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Feature Children

- © Taylor Duckwall, Tsadiku Coffman, & Lincoln Weed
- © Please bring in 5 to 6 pictures that we can display for the month.

Happy Birthday

Taylor Duckwall & Tsadiku Coffman turn 4 on September 9th.

Lincoln Weed turns 4 on September 15th.

Field Trip

The highlight of our "Community Helpers" unit will be going to our Beautiful downtown Hood River and experiencing some of the parts to our community. We will visit the city Police station, a local bakery, and our Library. We will need parent volunteers, and if your child does not normally attend on this day, we would still love for you to join us. Date TBA!

Goodbye Ms. Alicia

With sadness in our heart it



is time to say good bye to Ms. Alicia. Alicia has accepted a position at Mosier Elementary, some of you might get to see her in years to come! Alicia has had an amazing four years here at Smartepants, she has taught us so much.. Ms Andrea included.. Thank you

Welcome Ms.

Kathryne Einhorn has her Bachelor of Science in Human Development and Family Studies as well as many years of experience working with pre-school students. She will be stepping into our math room and has many ideas and plans to inspire us. When Ms. Kathryne is not at school she as four boys at home keeping her on her toes. We are so excited to welcome Ms. Kathryne to our SmartE-pants family!

Did you remember to bring:

- Extra Set of clothing
- Pillow w/ case (all day students)
- Fitted crib sheet (all day students)
- Small blanket
- Inside slippers or Flip-flops

