

March 2018

Here are some **Literacy Strategies to Use at Home:**

Rhyming Words:

- Give your child a word and have them come up with a rhyming word
- The words they come up with can be silly or real

Popcorn Words:

- Sing the “Popcorn Words” song
- Point to a couple of words and have them figure out the word
- Have your child practise spelling the words with the chart and then without the chart
- Make flashcards of the popcorn words and have your child put the cards in order of the song
- Make 2 sets of flashcards and play “Go Fish” or “Memory” with the cards
- Play “Sing Your Way”: say a popcorn word and your child has to sing his/her way to the word
- Use a highlighter and have your child “butter” popcorn words in magazines/newspapers

Next Steps for Home Reading:

- Use the cover and title to predict what the story will be about
- After reading, retell the story, keeping the book closed

Writing at Home:

Use this writing checklist at home to help your child write a sentence:

- Use a capital at the beginning
- Use finger spaces in between words
- Use a period at the end
- Use popcorn words to help write a sentence
- Sound out unfamiliar words

Popcorn Song (to the tune of “London Bridge is Fall Down”)

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| a | that | can | me | yes |
| I | of | the | said | we |
| he | is | was | go | see |
| and | it | big | my | went |
| you | are | | | |



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(Room 27 – Mrs. Cegnar and Mrs. LeGree)

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--------|------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | | | | 1 Day 2 | 2 P.A. DAY (no school) | 3 |
| 4 | 5 Gym Day 3 | 6 Gym Day 4 | 7 Day 5 | 8 Library Day 1 | 9 Day 2 | 10 |
| 11 | 12 March Break!! | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 Happy St. Patrick's Day |
| 18 | 19 Gym Day 3 | 20 Gym Day 4 | 21 Day 5 | 22 Library Day 1 | 23 Day 2 | 24 |
| 25 | 26 Gym Day 3 | 27 Gym Day 4 | 28 Day 5 | 29 Library Day 1 | 30 Good Friday (no school) | 31 |