



PONIES

We hope that all our Ponies and their families enjoyed a wonderful holiday season! 2021 has started with a bang, and we are ready to breeze through to spring. We are very excited about each one of you and the fun we will have together. During the next four months, we will have so many

activities that will enable our Ponies to discover more about themselves and the world around them. As always, we will continue to learn and review our basics: letters: our ABC's, numbers: 1-10, basic shapes: square, rectangle, diamond, circle, oval, heart and star and our basic colors: red, green, yellow, blue, black, brown, purple, orange, pink and white.

As we begin a new year, we will include the STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) concept in our classroom, with a big focus on math. The Ponies use math every day, such as counting our friends or counting out the cups as we hand them out. Parents can also do this at home by counting Cheerios or leaves outside and counting our family members when they come for a visit.

As February approaches, we will work on our student assessments. Stay tuned for information regarding parent-teacher conferences. We will spend a great deal of time working on not only counting but refreshing our knowledge of shapes: basic shapes, colors: basic colors, numbers: 1-10 and big and small comparison. These are also things that parents can work on at home. Flash cards and singing ABC's and 123's are great tools to use.

The Pony class can't wait to start all our spring activities. One project we are so excited to do is making a small garden in our class that all the students can help and take care of each day and to be able to watch the flowers grow. We will all have a job to do. We can help each student fill a pot with soil, put a seed in the dirt, and water it every day.

We can't wait to start out this year with a BANG! And we look forward to having some fun in the pony room these next few months! As always, if you have any questions, your Pony Teachers are here to help!

-Pony Teachers



REMINDERS

Brrr! *January* is here with a chill as well as a few reminders. Please make sure your Pony has weather-appropriate clothing and shoes, as well as making sure everything is labeled. Cups, clothes and diapers all need to be labeled. Diapers especially need to be labeled with your child's initials as we do have some students with the same brand. Thank you!



Celebrating Children

As spring approaches, Rocking Horse Academy will be doing something extremely exciting! The Week of the Young Child will be celebrated in some wonderful ways. This is a time to highlight your child and have some FUN! There will be many opportunities for parents to come and read to the classroom or come have a good time playing outside with bubbles or playing with chalk or even an activity if you would like to plan something for the classroom to enjoy. Come enjoy some exciting activities we have planned for that week! As it gets closer to the event, we will have more information!