

KINDERGARTEN NEWS

OCTOBER 2019

FALL IS HERE

Please help your child practice the following self-help skills at home: putting on and fastening a coat, tying shoes, taking things in and out of their backpack and using and disposing of tissues.

BOOK ORDERS

October book orders were sent home earlier but you can always go online at <https://clubs.scholastic.com/home>. There are 2 ways to order - return the book order form and a check made out to the book club in an envelope marked with your child's name and room number or you can order online and there is a bigger selection of books to choose from - you will need to use our **class online code HJQWY**. All orders due back by **Friday, October 18th**.

THINGS WE WILL BE LEARNING

- * patterning
- * naming/drawing shapes
- * pattern block puzzles
- * counting 1 to 25.
- * counting backwards from 10-0
- * writing numbers to 10
- * comparing sizes
- * morning routines
- * classroom and school routines
- * whole body listening.
- * how to walk in the hall
- * dismissal routines.
- * lunchroom routines
- * writing our first names
- * using scissors properly
- * using glue sticks properly
- * concepts of print
- * coloring neatly
- * rhyming words
- * letter identification
- * first sound fluency
- * # of words in a sentence
- * syllables in a word
- * listening to stories
- * character and setting
- * # of words in a sentence
- * letter names/sounds

LITERACY NEWS

We will begin small guided reading groups and centers. Our goal is to have all students proficient in the skills taught in our Open Court reading curriculum, which includes letter naming, letter sounds, high-frequency sight words, writing and comprehension. Home Connection letters will be sent home at the beginning of each unit.



IMPORTANT WEBSITES AND BLOGS

<https://hwhitehead5.weebly.com> – our class website and blog (check this weekly or more)

<https://www.hershey.k12.pa.us> – district website

<https://hersheyk5.weebly.com> – Hershey Elementary School blog