



**A note from
Mrs. Lederer
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Kinder Friday this week!**

Last week's newsletter included some websites for alphabet learning and knowledge. This week we are focusing on words, words, words!

Literacy learning in Kindergarten introduces your child to a lot of new words, concepts, and ideas. As children learn that language is a tool to grow and express their knowledge, they are also expanding their vocabulary. Learning to use lots of words better prepares children to be successful readers and writers in the years ahead.

Ways of developing language and learning with words can include:

- Talking about family events and places you visit together. Share memories and experiences with details and emotional expression.
- Asking your child questions about their school day, or their emotions, or feelings about something important. Specific questions help your child remember with details, such as "Tell me about the story you listened to today?" or "What did you and your friends talk about at snack time today?"
- Explaining new words.
- Discussing ways to solve problems and talk about alternative solutions to everyday problems.
- Naming and describing your child's feelings.

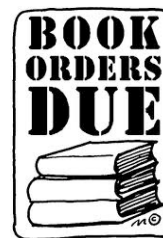


Now that everyone has had a chance to wade through the Halloween candy, we'd appreciate donations for our Kinder Gingerbread Houses!

The best candies are the following:

- Smarties
- Life Savers
- Nibs
- Rockets
- Dots

And speaking of Gingerbread Houses, today we heard the story of Hansel and Gretel, retold by our community storyteller, Mrs. Whitlie. The Alberta Opera Company is bringing its presentation of this story to the school on **Monday, November 7 at 9:00 a.m.** Kinders are invited to attend the hour-long show with their parents.



November **Book Orders** are due back to school by **November 16!** **Any books for Christmas should be ordered this month!**