

## Sunday Night, Sea Turtle Times

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Hello Sea Turtle Families,

I hope you have enjoyed a peaceful weekend!

Thank you to those of you who attended the conferences on-time and in good spirit. I am looking forward to our next round of conferences this Friday, October 22nd.

Last week, our little Sea Turtles were found spread about the classroom during work-cycle working diligently with some math materials (e.g. Golden Beads, Small Bead Frame), a fun seasonal pumpkin craft, recording Types of Scientists in their notebooks, and voting as a class on estimating the amount of dry black beans in a jar. It is so wonderful to see students finding their own work-rhythm and pace in their class environment. During the week, we began our journey of understanding the Universe and read a story about the theory of the Big Bang. We even had an extensive conversation about Black Holes and some students shared their thoughts about the existence of White Holes in space!

\*I will be adding a few photos to our photo album from two weeks ago (my phone has been acting a bit strange and taking a long time to upload) where our friends learned basic steps to Salsa dancing, continued to practice their spelling, and were introduced to the many types of scientists by Ms. Zurima, The Teacher Scientist!

Now that we are entering our second quarter of school together, we will further our knowledge and begin exploring many more new things like geography, by "traveling around the world," astronomy, by learning all about the Universe and Solar System, and history, by researching and representing a historical figure.

Speaking of historical figures, our entire school this year will be **resurrecting** the tradition of dressing up as a historical figure on **Friday, October 29th**. In our class, your child will choose a specific type of scientist and will research them for the next two weeks. After selecting the scientist, you can work with your child at home on creating a costume to be worn on the day of the celebration. We encourage costumes to be made from recycled/at-home materials and you and your child's ingenuity :)

Enjoy a relaxing evening,

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