

# Mrs. Ortiz's Kindergarten News!

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Our Classroom Website:

<http://ortizkindergarten.weebly.com/>

Or you can access through the Kolter website under the Kindergarten tab

## A Peek at the Week

### Reading:

- Writing responses to what we read
- Visualizing stories in our head
- Retelling stories by sorting
- Implementing our reading strategies

### Writers Workshop:

- Writing personal narratives
- Putting spaces between words
- Adding sight words to our writing
- Improving our writing stamina

### Math:

- REVIEW:
- Number writing
- Graphing
- Simple story problems

### Science/Social Studies:

- Holidays Around the World
- Winter

### Mark Your Calendar

12-15-15 - Gingerbread house building

12-18-15 - Winter Holiday Party

Dec 21 - Jan 4 - Winter Break

1-5-16 - Students return to Kolter

1-6-16 - Kolter Spirit Night!

## Classroom Highlights

We were very lucky this week to be selected to help in the Kolter Garden! On Thursday morning, our class planted potatoes. We learned about healthy soil, organic vegetables, and how to plant and maintain a vegetable garden. We are very excited to observe our plants over the next few months!

### Notes from the Teacher:

There have been a few cases of head lice reported at Kolter this week, Kindergarten included. You may want to take this opportunity to check your child's scalp and disinfect anything at home that could possibly need it (hair ties, brushes, pillowcases, clothing, backpacks, etc.) Please make sure that you are talking with your child about not sharing brushes, rubber bands, bows, etc. with their classmates. Thank you!

### Weekly Words

Vocabulary Words: holiday, tradition, celebration, customs, passport, country,

Sight Words: have, help, helps, here