

*"If you don't know where you're going, you might not get there."  
Yogi Berra, baseball player and manager*

Good morning on this '[World Kindness Day](#)'!

I hope you had an opportunity to recognize a special veteran in your life this weekend and find some time to relax or get caught up on some work. I was finally able to get my tropical plants tucked safely inside and begin the long process of bagging leaves.

When you glance at my schedule below, you will notice that I am attending professional development sessions on Thursday and Friday. I will have limited access to communicate on those days. Still reach out if you need anything and I will get back with you on my breaks.

I am also out the week of Thanksgiving. I am taking my dad to a doctor appointment, restocking his supplies, and taking him out to visit family. If any time sensitive information comes to me, I will get it out to you. Otherwise, this will be my last update until the week of November 27.

#### *Updates, Reminders, and Instructional Supports...*

*(Teacher Evaluation Standard III: Teachers Know the Content They Teach, Teacher Evaluation Standard IV: Teachers Facilitate Learning for Their Students, & Standard V: Teachers Reflect on Their Practice)*

**NOVEMBER 14 PLC:** This week our PLC will focus on extracting the data from the online platforms, interpreting the data, and using the data to plan for instruction. We will also review Parent Conference expectations and best practices.

You will need to bring your technology and log-in information for the Brigrance and Mastery Connect platforms. Please log-in to these platforms when you arrive at the Mint Hill Library so we can maximize our time.

**Come prepare to actively participate in our discussions!**

**CRAYOLA CREATIVITY WEEK:** January 22-28 is [Crayola Creativity Week](#). Check out the information and register to participate!

**NCDPI OFFICE OF EARLY LEARNING (OEL):** The [OEL November newsletter](#) has some timely information related to checkpoints with links in response to common questions.

There is also a FANTASTIC short webinar link at the bottom of the newsletter on how you might facilitate a **Parent Workshop** on Oral Language development that supports your fidelity goals. The 4 Oral language strategies are explained in a video format. Included are other short videos of ways parents can interact with their child and a family friendly definition of Phonological Awareness!!

There is also a webinar that you may register for. Even if you can't attend in person, they often post the webinar online after the session.

**SPOTLIGHT ON LITERACY**

**Literacy Foundations with Families**  
If you missed the Literacy Foundations with Families webinar, watch now to access the family-facing resources that were shared!  
[Recorded Webinar](#)

**Phonological Awareness Throughout the Day**  
Join us November 16 as we explore ways to support literacy development through play, transitions, mealtime, and more!  
[Registration Link](#)

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#### **INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORTS QUICK LINKS:**

- [Pacing Guide](#)
- [MECK Pre-K SharePoint Resource Folder](#)
- [McClanahan's Pre-k Pages \(MPP\) site](#): *NOTE: If you are looking for a particular resource, there is a search icon at the top, right corner of each page on my site.*

- **OPTIONAL PAC TIME** supplemental activities
  - [ALPHABET KNOWLEDGE](#) - [ALPHABET KNOWLEDGE](#) (MPP site) - *new additions and reorganization*
  - [PHONOLOGICAL AWARENESS](#) (MPP site) - *new additions and reorganization*

## QUICK LINKS TO PROGRAM SUPPORT DOCUMENTS:

- [MECK Pre-K Playbook for teachers](#)
- [McClanahan Cohort - SharePoint](#)

### *Dates to Remember...*

#### **November**

14 - PLC Meeting (Mint Hill Library)  
**17 - Checkpoint window closes - Finalize ALL checkpoints**  
**20 - Parent Teacher Conferences begin**  
 22 - Annual Leave  
 23 - HOLIDAY  
 24 - HOLIDAY  
 28 - Zoom PLC

#### **December**

**01 - Parent Teacher Conferences end**  
 12 - PLC Meeting (Mint Hill Library)  
 14 - Simple Machines study ends - Celebration of Learning  
 15 - **Balls study begins**  
 20 - Teacher Workday - PD TBA  
 21 - Winter Break begins

#### **January**

01 - HOLIDAY  
 02 - Teacher Workday  
 09 - PLC Meeting (Mint Hill Library)  
 15 - HOLIDAY  
 22 - ALPHABET KNOWLEDGE assessment window opens  
 23 - Zoom PLC  
 25 - Teacher Workday - PD Using Warm Demand to Build Student Achievement  
 26 - Balls study ends - Celebration of Learning  
 29 - **Signs study begins**

#### **February**

02 - ALPHABET KNOWLEDGE assessment window closes  
 06 - PLC Meeting (Mint Hill Library)  
 09 - Last day to enter TSG data  
 12 - 2nd Trimester Checkpoint window opens  
 14 - Early Release Day - PD TBA  
 19 - HOLIDAY  
 20 - Zoom PLC  
 20 - PAST assessment window opens  
 23 - 2nd Checkpoint window closes - Finalize ALL checkpoints  
 26 - Parent Teacher conferences begin

### *Now on to my schedule...*

*I plan on following this visit schedule but will adjust as needs arise.*

Monday, November 13	Tuesday, November 14	Wednesday, November 15	Thursday, November 16	Friday, November 17
Success Coach PLC & Smart Start Staff Meeting	Smart Kids 7  Alliance - McAlpine  Sunshine House  PLC - Mint Hill Library	Crossway Academy  Cadence Academy – Raintree  CN 95	Racial Equity Workshop-RMJJ	Racial Equity Workshop-RMJJ

Have a great rest of your day and I will see you tomorrow!

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