

## Calendar – Middle of the Month

## Grade K DECEMBER

What do you see when you look at our Calendar this month? (Sunday, Monday... Saturday; numbers that go in order 1, 2, 3, 4, ...; two blues always are together; a red, blue, blue pattern, and so on.)

When you look at the colors, what do you notice so far this month? (A red, blue, blue pattern; red triangles that go down like stairs; red shapes are always triangles; blue shapes are squares; the blue squares have neighbor numbers, and so on.)

What shapes have we seen? (Triangles and squares.) What have you learned about squares? (Squares have 4 sides and 4 corners; their sides are the same; they look like a diamond-shaped rhombus when you turn them; they fold in half, they have square corners; they belong to the rectangle family, and so on.) What do you know about triangles? (Triangles have to have 3 sides and 3 corners.) What makes a triangle a triangle? (Three sides and 3 corners.)

If we take this large loop of yarn and let three of you grab it and pull with one finger what shape do you think we will all see? Let's try it to see. If three other people come pull on our loop of yarn, what shape do you think we will we get this time?

What color and shape will be on tomorrow's calendar piece? How do you know? What color, shape, and number will show up on our next Birthday?

What days of the week do we usually come to school? What days do we usually stay home?

Where does December come in our line-up of the months of the year? What month will begin our new year when we come back after vacation?

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