



Kindergarten News

Mrs. Jenny's Class

April 24, 2015



Hello Families!

Butterflies, ladybugs, and plants...YIPPEE!
It has been a thrilling week in our classroom. We have had a blast watching our caterpillars in their larva stage eat and eat and eat. They will form their chrysalis soon and we will anxiously await our four new Painted Lady Butterflies. Most of our ladybugs are still in their larva stage, but will move into the pupa stage next week. We can't wait to see the ladybugs emerge and get their spots. Science is so fun!

We continued our discussion on plants and will be planting seeds next week. We will experiment with the effects of over watering and why sunlight is so important. We had a great time learning about Earth Day and the ways we can care for our environment.

As a final farewell to our Bug Unit next week, we will continue to read, write, and learn more about the amazing world of bugs. Ask your child why all insects are bugs, but not all bugs are insects.

Our final unit of the year will be an Underwater Adventure Unit. The students will get to explore the creatures of the ocean. We will have lots of hands-on activities as we learn more about the importance of water to all living things!

Have a GREAT weekend!



Spring Is Here!

Please help your child dress for the changes in our weather. A light weight jacket may still be needed in the mornings, but the afternoons have been getting very warm.



Warren's Word of the Week Winner
4/24-Decisive
Jenna earned this award.

What We're Learning About!

Next Week's Sight Words-

which, always, try, must, under, open, just, buy

- Writer's Workshop- Drawing or "writing" about our pictures. Understanding "r" controlled words. Using adjectives ("juicy" details) to enhance a topic. Remembering to self edit our work before turning it in. Writing about the life cycles of insects and other bugs.
- Reader's Workshop- Understanding directionality, fluency, and being able to make connections to stories we read. Understanding long and short vowels as well as blends and digraphs. Learning about prefixes. Author study of Eric Carle.
- Math-Math manipulatives. Exploring money and time, counting 1-200, addition and subtraction word problems.
- Social Studies- Using words and phrases related to chronology and time to explain how things change.
- Science- Using our senses to observe insects in their habitats, and living and non-living things around us.

April Dates:

April 24 - Progress Reports sent home for the Fourth Nine Weeks

April 30-Poem in your pocket day. Have your child write or print a poem to carry and share throughout the school. I can supply one if needed.

MAY DATES

May 4-8 - Teacher Appreciation Week

May 7- Kindergarten Registration

May 8-15— BOGO Book Fair

May 12- Marco's Pizza

May 15- FIELD DAY!! Wear Purple

May 20-End of Year Parties

May 21- NO BOOK BAGS-Last Day of School!