



The Kindergarten News

For April 17th 2017
and April 24th, 2017

Theme- Birds/Earth Day

Expressive Vocabulary-

junction- a place where things meet or cross

indignant- filled with anger about something unfair, wrong or bad

kaleidoscope- A constantly changing set of colors

leadership- the position or office of a leader.

Fable-The Birds, the Beasts and the Bat

Review- Letters: li, Jj, Kk, and Ll
subtraction, telling time, money,
measurement

**Spelling test words- April 20th- nap, lap, map,
cap, tap**

April 27th get, let, bet, set, pet

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Language Arts: The boys and girls will practice contractions. We will add new jobs to our concept shelf that will give students the opportunity to practice contractions throughout the day. We will be working on letter blends and we will complete activity pages that will encourage students to sound out letter blends to create different words. We will keep strengthening our reading skills by reviewing our sight words daily.

Math: In our math workbooks students will learn how to make a bar graph and we will also practice ordinal numbers. Also the boys and girls will review out previously learned math concepts.

Science: Spring is in the air!! Birds are everywhere!! This week we will explore the wonderful world of birds and learn many different types of birds. Some birds that will be covered are the robin, cardinal, blue jay, and hummingbird, just to name a few. We will also be completing a series of papers that will give information about each bird and a picture of the bird that the students will be able to color. We will spend time looking at how birds hatch and we will learn the body structure of birds. Also we will look at bird feathers and we will learn that feathers keep birds warm.

Social Studies: We will spend the next few weeks celebrating our Earth and learning how to take care of the planet in which we live. This year, Earth Day is April 22nd and our activities on Monday, April 23rd. The students will get a better understanding about how Earth Day was started and why it is important for children and adults around the world to help our environment. One way the boys and girls will learn how to help take care of the earth is by learning how to reduce, reuse and recycle items we use in everyday living.

Art: Fun Spring crafts will keep us busy over the next few weeks!

NOTES TO PARENTS:

- *Fire drill Monday, April 17th and Tuesday, April 18th
- * Vision and hearing testing Monday April 17th
- * Happy Birthday Ella Myslinski April 17th
- *Chick eggs arrive Tuesday April 18th
- *Tornado drill April 19th
- * Spelling test April 20th and April 27th
- *Earth Day April 22nd
- * Show and tell Monday April 24th
- *Field trip to see *Goldilocks* on Thursday, May 4. We will be leaving school promptly at 9:15AM, and returning at 12:15PM. Please return your child's permission slip.
- *Parents- We will be completing our Metropolitan School Readiness Tests this spring. This test is used in conjunction with daily observation by the teacher to assess how well prepared your child is for first grade. It is important that your child is here at school the entire week of testing and on time. The testing dates are the week of **May 8th - 12th**.
- *June 3rd at 11:30 a.m. (arrive 15 min early please.) Our class had been working hard and can't wait to preform our play, The Little Red Hen. Following the play the children will change into their caps and gowns for their graduation ceremony.