

The Kindergarten News
For April 17th 2017
and April 24th, 2017

Theme- Birds/Earth Day

Expressive Vocabulary-

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

junction- a place where things meet or cross

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 21st- nap, lap, map, cap, tap

April 28th- 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 our 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. 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:

*Spring and graduation picture day is on Monday, April 24th for the kindergarten class.

*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**.

*Spring program and graduation will be held on Saturday, May 20th at 3:00 p.m. at Hazel green Elementary. Look for your child's speaking part and more information to be sent home soon!