

"Children have never been very good at listening to their elders,  
but they never fail to imitate them."

-James Baldwin

### \*The Kindergarten News \*

for the week of 3 / 18 / 24

- Theme — Pets
- Introduce — Sight Words: run, big, from & could / Contractions / Time to the minute/ Review Qu & Uu
- Expressive Vocabulary — yank — 1. to pull something in a sharp, sudden way

2. a sharp, sudden pull

zenith — 1. the point in the sky directly above where a person stands.

2. the highest or greatest point

- Bits of Intelligence Insects

### Language Arts

This week the children will be introduced to contractions. They will learn that a contraction is a short way of writing two words as one. The words are put together, leaving out one or more letters. A special kind of punctuation called an apostrophe replaces the missing letters. To begin, we will concentrate on contractions with not; this includes — isn't, aren't, didn't, can't, don't, won't, haven't, hasn't, and wasn't. Our work with nouns and verbs will also continue, as does our study of the blends. Our week will end by playing a fun sight word review game called Sight Word Scratch.

### Math / Science

The children will continue to learn how to tell time this week. We will focus on telling time in five-minute intervals and then move on to the minute. We will close out our studies of animals and learn about pets. This week, we will learn about the care and keeping of fish, hamsters, snakes, frogs, and turtles. We will get real-life experience in caring for a fish as we welcome our class fish next week.

### Important Dates

March 12<sup>th</sup> – March Family project due

March 15<sup>th</sup> - St. Patrick's Day Celebration – Wear your GREEN!

March 25<sup>th</sup> -29<sup>th</sup> - Spring Break/school open for daycare only (No 9 — 2:30 pm classes this week)