

"Learning is not a spectator sport."

Author Unknown

*The Kindergarten News *

for the week of 4 / 15 / 24

- Theme — Spiders / Spring
- Introduce — Sight Words: what, why, her, & is / TH digraph / Review numbers 11-15
- Expressive Vocabulary — elite — choice or most carefully selected of the group.

foolish — without good sense, an unwise act or action.

Language Arts

Our work with digraphs continues this week to include TH words. We will continue to review blends that we learned about, as well as adjectives. This week, we will spend quite a bit decoding words containing a silent e. We will discover that when an e appears at the end of a four-letter word, the vowel in the middle has a long sound. We'll have fun changing short vowel words to long vowel words by simply adding that magic e! For instance, cap becomes cape, or dim becomes dime. The class will also enjoy playing a fun game called Memory Stretcher. In this exercise, the students must listen to a series of words and then repeat the words in order back to me. It sounds easy enough, except that the number of words to repeat will increase with each round we play! With our readiness test around the corner, we will focus on reading comprehension with short stories and follow-up questions.

Math / Science

This week, our theme moves from insects to spiders. We will learn that spiders are different from insects and are considered arachnids. We will learn about the spider's body parts, what they make their webs with, and different types of spiders and where they are located. Our discussion about Spring will continue as we talk about the changes in the weather and observe the differences we see outside with the trees, flowers, and plants. The boys and girls will also work on their addition and subtraction, reviewing tens and ones.

Important Dates

April 12th – April family project due (we will be sharing this week)

April 25th - Picture Day

May 1st- Reading log due

May 13th –17th – Readiness Testing for First Grade

(It is imperative that students attend this week of school, so please mark your calendars. Thank you.)