

Mrs. Killinger's Weekly Newsletter

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May 23, 24, & 25 – Early Release Days
Last Day of School.- Wed., May 25

This week at a glance.



As we continue with Sign Study we are discovering we know many things about them. The shape, colors, symbols, and words are important. The children enjoyed playing "Stop and Go" by using colored cards as signs. Then we followed the "One Way" arrow through an obstacle course. We discussed what makes signs noticeable. See how many signs you can find this weekend (store and street signs alike).

Social Emotional

This week we reviewed how Z learned to problem solve. We discussed that problems do arise when playing and working with others. So we acted out the first two steps in problem solving, STOP and TALK. The children are truly learning to solve problems and work things out in a fair way.

Music & Movement



This week we enjoyed dancing to familiar songs and discussed the motions. "Three Little Pigs", "Freeze", and "Count Bounce" were a few. One favorite song we do daily is "Clean Up". The children can always join their peers by singing and dancing once they have cleaned up their toys and/or desk.

Math



We continued to review shapes this week. We used descriptive words to discuss how many sides and corners shapes have. We made shapes with stirrers and we put shapes together to make pictures. It was a great learning experience.

Earth Day – Friday, April 22nd



We celebrated by signing a song and looking at pictures on line. We reviewed why the 3 R's are important to practice. Then we planted some lima beans. We will care for them daily and watch them grow.

End of School Year Celebration



We are planning some activities with kindergarten. The tentative date is Friday, 5/20. More information to come.

We will also celebrate summer birthdays during the last week of school. Then Wed., 5/25 we will have a pretend birthday party for everyone one. If you would like to donate party supplies please let me know. Thanks for all your help this year. You have all been so generous.

Literacy



"Marisol McDonald Doesn't Match" by Monica Brown" was the book we read over again to reinforce our understanding. It explores the idea of self confidence and being yourself. Highlight's, High Five magazine "Jump In" was interesting and fun for the children. We talked about other magazines we have looked at or read. "Signs of All Kinds" by Erin Seagraves was a book we read that explored the different types of signs. For a different experience we watched "I Read Signs" and followed along with the teachers activities on line.

Sight Words



We continue to work with rebus reading books that now have the words: **a, the, and, is, on, at, in, & see.** We display flashcards with the rebus pictures and sight words for each book as practice before we read. Then we encourage the children to take a picture walk reading the book themselves. Finally, we read together pointing to the rebus pictures and the words on each page as we read.