



Week of 4/4/2011

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Kindergarten News

Science



Our Science/Social Studies lesson has been amazing. The children love learning about animals, especially ones from the wild! We have studied lions and tigers, but the most popular animal has been the giraffe. The cheetah came in a close second. Did you know cheetahs can NOT roar? They are the fastest land animals in the world and can reach speeds of 70 mph!

Next week, we will continue our unit on animals and enhance it with information we gathered at the Wild Life World Zoo. Please check out our walls outside our classroom. We put up new work on a weekly basis.

Reading



Our reading time is flying by. The children love to read and just can't get enough of it. I let them read books from our bookshelf to each other and they also work on our Bob books. This new level is challenging them more and they are so proud of themselves. Please continue reading with your child at home on a daily basis.

We continue to work on journal writing every week. The theme this week will be about their favorite animal that we have studied.

What a great Greek Independence Day celebration! We sang, we read, we played games and we danced! Thank you all so much for attending and making it so special.

Math



We have been working on graphs all week. We have used pencils and crayons, but the most favorite item has been money! The children have been graphing with these items on the white board and with worksheets. Please continue practicing at home. You can get real creative with all sorts of different objects.

We can count by 5s to 110. We can also count by 10s to 150! We love to count and now we are really working on writing our numbers up to 50.

Next week we will start word problems that introduce adding and subtracting.

General



Please let me know if you need assistance with the Greek homework. I work with the children on a daily basis and we do homework but I am also here to help out more if I am needed.

We are working on manners and how to use them on a daily basis. I continue to show them how to use the proper tone of voice in any situation. I am encouraging them to work out problems with themselves but being available for them, too. They are turning into compassionate, self confident children. This is an ongoing process and it takes time and patience. Let me know if you have any questions.

Report cards will be coming home next week. Please contact me if you would like a conference. I am always available to talk to you about your children. I so enjoy having them in my class. We are all very close and enjoy each other tremendously. Thank you!