



Week of 5/23/2011

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Kindergarten News

Science



Our Science year has been filled with so many fun and busy memories. We have just wrapped up our Ocean Unit and each child has a special story or event to share about the ocean. Please ask your child to tell you about it!

We had a fun-filled Science Fair, at which we learned and studied human bodies, plants, planets and weather patterns.

We celebrated Earth Day by picking up trash and learning how important it is to recycle.

For Social Studies, we have been to Egypt, Japan, India and Greece. We studied Greek gods and learned about Greek pottery. We wrapped up our Greek unit on Greek Independence Day.

Reading



We started out the year learning and recognizing all the letters of the alphabet. We moved on to learning all the sounds the letters make. We built on that by reading our pre-decodable books. We then moved on to our decodable books. We have graduated to reading Level One books and are slowly working on Level Two books! All I can say is WOW!! The children have made incredible leaps and bounds!

Please continue reading with your child throughout the summer!!

Check with your local library for programs offered throughout the summer. They have wonderful incentive programs for reading and I know some offer a ticket to a DBack game if they finish all the required reading.

Math



We can now count up to 150! We can count from 50 back to zero. We can count by 10s to 200 and by 5s to 100!

We know our coin values and can tell you how many pennies you need to make a dime!

We are learning how to tell time and use minutes – more than just hours – to do it.

Our word problems have been so much fun. We know what it means to add or subtract and how to write our own equation!

General



It's time for me to say goodbye. Our year has come to an end. I've made cherished memories and many new friends.

I've watched your child learn and grow and change from day to day. I hope that all the things we've done have helped in many ways. Please know how much you all have meant to me this year. I loved learning and growing with each and every one of you. Can't wait to see you all in September as big first graders!

HAPPY SUMMERTIME!

Enjoy your families.

~Please come a few minutes early to pick up your child on Friday, May 27. We will have a very short Kindergarten promotion program. The children are so excited to share some of their work with you, and of course, get their Kindergarten Diploma.