

Kindergarten News

April 2010

Language Arts

I cannot believe that it is already April. 2010 is flying by!!! This month our themes are Plants, Insects, Father's Day and Frogs. We will begin the month with a unit on plants. We will read and do activities with the books Tops and Bottoms, The Tiny Seed and The Sunflower House. Our next unit, over insects, will include activities from the books The Very Hungry Caterpillar, The Grouchy Ladybug and I Can't, Said the Ant. Then we will celebrate Father's Day early with a fun unit on Dads and end the week with a Father's Day program on Wednesday, April 21st. We will end the month with a hoppin' unit over frogs. We will read the books The Wide Mouthed Frog, Frog and Toad all Year, Jump, Frog, Jump and many more. We will continue with literacy centers, guided and individual reading and journal and creative writing. I am amazed at the writing your kindergarteners are doing!!

April sight words: came come could down how just keep make not now

PHONICS

We have completed the entire alphabet and touched on long vowels. We will work more on long vowel sounds and spellings in May. Now we are ready to learn consonant and vowel digraphs. They are:

ck – duck and lock (in the final position)
use “*ck*” after a short vowel ex: black
sh – shark and shell
th – feather and that
oo – hook and tooth (long and short sound)

Review all word families learned this year.

REMINDER

Father's Day Program Wednesday, April 21st

Thank you for all of your help with the Easter Celebration! The kids had a ball and we appreciate all that you do!

Math

- *Parts of the clock
- *Telling time to the hour
- *Counting pennies
- *Counting nickels and dimes
- *Measurement

Social Studies/Science

- *Parts of a Plant
- *Parts of a Seed
- *Insects
- *Father's Day
- *Earth Day, April 22nd
- *Frog Life Cycle and Habitat