

Kindergarten News

Week of April 23 – 26, 2019

I hope you all had a very happy Easter.

Thank you to all who helped with our field trip to the Great Plains Nature Center on April 17. Miss Emily, the naturalist, introduced us to Blossom the Possum, and told us all about this interesting animal. We went on a nature hike, and saw a wild turkey, snowy egret, and a cardinal. We also got to feed turtles, a duck, geese and carp at the pond. When we returned to the nature center, we visited the Habitat Hall. There we got to listen to different bird songs, feel the fur of several animals, see an aquarium of Kansas fish, and other interesting things. It was a fun day!

This week in literature we learned about many different ways that children around the world get to school. We practiced drawing conclusions, based on what we saw in illustrations, read in books, and already knew. Our letters of the week were "Q" and "Y." Please work with your child on learning all the high frequency words we have on the kindergarten list. Let me know if you need the flash cards for your practice.

In math we have been learning about comparing and composing shapes. We used smaller attribute blocks to create larger shapes.

In science and religion we are learning about being good stewards of God's world by choosing not to litter and by recycling many different items. Next week we will be doing an engineering project, which entails designing and building a bridge for gnomes. We need to collect many different recyclable items, which are listed on a note in your child's yellow folder. We need them by Thursday, May 2. In Second Step we will be starting a series of lessons on bullying.

Your child will be tested over the next few weeks on home address, parent phone number, parents' names, and their birthday. Please help your child learn these important things.

May 1 is the May Crowning. Please send a flower with your child to school on Tuesday, April 30. Do not send iris, wisteria, or snowballs.

May 3 is Spirit Wear Day.

Our spring music concert is Wednesday, May 8.

Our field trip to the Sedgwick County Zoo is on Thursday, May 9. Please remember to sign and return your child's permission form and enclose the \$3.25 admission fee. If your family has a zoo membership, please write the member number on the permission slip. Thank you.

Have a great weekend! Remember there is no school for kindergarten and pre-K on Friday, April 26, because of kindergarten screening.

Mrs. Nancy Hansen