

Kindergarten News  
Week of May 8-12

Happy Mothers Day to all you moms! You are doing a great job of raising your children!

This week in math we learned about comparing the weight of objects. We learned that objects which weigh more are heavier and objects that weigh less are lighter. We also took the I-Ready math diagnostic to learn how much improvement your children have made in math this year. All of your children made progress!

In literature we read a drama for the first time. This play was about two children who were sad when they saw it was raining, but when their mother explained that rain was good for all of us, they decided they liked rain after all. We focused on letter Y, and learned that it can be both a consonant and a vowel in words. Next week we will focus on letter Q. Our high frequency words were *over*, *again*, and *know*.

In religion we are learning about prayer. I reminded the children that prayer is talking to God, and that we can talk to God wherever we are. We also learned about the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples, Our Father. Our virtue of the month is zeal.

In science we are learning about the impact sunlight can have on the earth. We did an experiment in which we placed thermometers on dirt, sand, a white paper plate, a black paper plate, and a dish of water. We predicted which would get the hottest during recess. Most children thought it would be the sand, but it turned out to be black paper and dirt. That was a good lesson not to go barefoot on dirt (or sand) on hot days and to wear lighter clothing.

Please work with your child on learning their birthday and your (parents') names. These are kindergarten standards, which I will be testing them on.

The children sang well at their concert on Friday night. I enjoyed watching them make all the motions, too. Mrs. Kirkland makes music fun for them.

We will have an End of the Year Party on Thursday, May 25, at 10:15 a.m. You are welcome to come and see a slideshow of photographs from the year, have light refreshments, and a short awards ceremony.

My prayer for you this week is based on Jesus' words in John 14:27. "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid."

Mrs. Nancy Hansen