

What's Happening the week of April 17, 2017

Language Arts and Reading – Objectives: Reading fluency and comprehension; expressive writing using adjectives and adverbs.

We will learn about who Mother Goose was and listen to some Mother Goose rhymes. We will listen to some European fairy tales. Journal writing will include the writing of some original poetry. As a class, we will write a fairy tale.

Phonics – small group work continues.

Ongoing Literacy Activities include Morning Message; The “Daily News”; weather report; Letter/Word Wall work; sight word work. TEKS 110.11

Math – Objectives: Children will increase their proficiency with computational and analytical skills.

Counting forward and backward by 1s, 5s, and 10s continues as does practice with analog clock faces. Individualized worksheet practice is ongoing daily after lunch. (111.12 TEKS)

Science and Social Studies – Science objectives: children will develop an understanding of the importance of earthworms, eggs and life cycles. Social Studies objectives: to gain an understanding of Europe as one of the continents.

SOCIAL STUDIES: We will use globes, maps, atlases, books, and pictures to access information about European geography, culture, plants and animals.

SCIENCE – L.F.O – “Can You Squirm Like an Earthworm?” will be read together and sent home. Mrs. Youngjohn will continue discussion and exploration of eggs and oviparous animals. (112.11 TEKS)

Health and Physical Education – Objectives: Personal fitness and to develop interpersonal communication and conflict resolution skills.

Health and P.E. – Yoga stretching and movement activities in the classroom. Soccer skills and wiffleball games; improvised games and activities on the soccer field. (16.2 TEKS)

Art, Music, Theater – Objectives: personal expression using art media and original story-telling/acting.

ART – Easel and watercolor painting; drawing with easels and clipboards “en plein air” (outside in the air) as French artists have done.

THEATER – Story Dictation productions continue.

MUSIC – We'll continue learning and reviewing songs from others countries and learn some more about composers. We will review favorite songs. (TEKS 117.104, 117.103, 117.102)

Faith Formation – for the next couple of weeks will be based on the greatest commandment, Matthew 22: 36-40” **Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with**

all your mind. And the second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself. *The children will sing for The Gathering group at the church and personally deliver their handmade greeting cards.*

Technology

Computer Class with Mr. Steve. The children have been learning to use logical thinking.

Home/School Connection

- *The children are progressing well with pre-reading and emerging reading skills. To encourage this progress at home, make time to work on sight words and reading as a daily practice.*
- *April 21 – Guinea Pigs – Laine Morris*

LOOKING AHEAD:

April 15 – 9:30 to 12:30 Junior Journey to the Cross in Fellowship Hall. Parent supervision is required as you experience the interactive walk through Holy Week.

April 16 – Family Easter Service at 9:45 in the Sanctuary

April 19 – Sing at The Gathering and present our handmade greeting cards.

April 21 – Mart – Graham

April 25 – Field trip to the Bellaire Nature Center. We'll leave school by 9:00 am! **Please bring your child to school by 8:45**

April 28 – Mart - Landon

Our Parent Survey is on the Yellow School webpage. Please take a minute and tell us what you think. We want and respect your opinions and suggestions.



Many thanks to the Borel Family who provided a Petting Zoo for the children last week. The children had a wonderful time riding a pony and petting bunnies, goats, chickens and a duck.