

Dear Parents,

WATCH OUT!!! There is a huge peach flying through Room 4, and if you look carefully you may see Cloud-Men too! (Check out the Plato website for a picture!)

How do trees get water from their roots to their leaves? They use capillary action! Capillaries are the smallest of the body's blood vessels too. We did a Walking Water Rainbow experiment in which water travelled up and across paper towels, out of a plastic cup and into another, while mixing primary colors to make secondary colors. (Check out the Plato website for pictures!) We recorded the changes by documenting our observations with drawings.

As a follow-up activity to our Guided Research project, we observed earthworm, grasshopper, silkworm/moth, and centipede specimens. We compared the specimens to the photographs in our non-fiction books, and then we illustrated specimen books of our own.

Our Starry Night class mural is nearly finished. We've been using quite a bit of glue and strips of colored construction paper to represent the short brush strokes that van Gogh used in many of his paintings. We've also been using teamwork, cooperation, and problem solving strategies to figure out how to complete the project.

In honor of National Taco Day, the kids were given a Tococopter math challenge. A Tococopter is a made-up machine that uses drones to deliver tacos to people. We really wish a tacocopter would fly over Plato! We also journaled about an invention that would bring us our favorite foods! Yum!

Notes:

- Be sure check out the Parent Notes that you receive from the office. There are many important dates coming up, including two field trips.
- Please be sure to label all sweaters and sweatshirts (especially uniforms) with your child's name or initials.
- Remember to periodically check out our Classroom Page on the Plato website to see pictures of our most recent shenanigans. ;o)

As always, please feel free to call, email, or text me with any questions or concerns.

Have a great weekend!

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