

Happy Thursday Parents!

This week came and went at the blink of an eye! Agreed? We were super busy bees over here and we're all very excited for the show tomorrow!

### Highlights:

As we continue our exploration of simple machines, we spent this week learning and experimenting with the pulley. I asked the class what do they think a pulley is and here are some of their responses:

1. "It's like a crane-it lifts heavy stuff."
2. "One end has a heavy thing and one end is lighter to make it go up."
3. "Pulleys help a crane hold heavy stuff."
4. "Pulley is you tie heavy stuff to string then you have a wheel a part wrapped around string and if you pull at one end then the heavy side goes up and the light goes down."
5. "Rope and circle and put rope around it then you pull the longer side and other side goes up."
6. "When you hold on to something like a rope and someone else is higher and the person pulls other person hanging up."
7. "A real super-duper heavy thing that if you want to go high in the sky, it does that, but you need a big thing to carry it up the sky."

How cool that the construction happening just across the street from the park had TWO cranes we could observe! See if your child can tell which you which simple machines we noticed make up a crane! Hint, it's three:)

By the way, did you all know that there's a new version of The Magic School Bus? At the end of the day today, we watched a super fun episode about simple machines with our buddies. You can check it out, too! It's on Netflix under The Magic School Bus Rides Again-Season Two- Episode 7 "The Good, The Bad, and The Gnocchi".

We can't wait to show you all what we've been making with our pictures! Your children have been so excited to give you all your special surprises!

The Alden siblings had a lot going on this week! They ran into some trouble, what else is new, but of course worked together to find a solution and move past their obstacles. What got us really excited though was they finally found out who Shadow belonged to! Ask your child to fill you in:)

We also had an AWESOME rehearsal, a super fun Ms. Stephanie visit, and a hilariously good time learning about nouns, verbs, and adjectives when creating our mad libs!

Reminders:

- Holiday Program TOMORROW! Students must be at the Bridge Community Church no later than 9:45 a.m.! Please make sure your child uses the rest room before joining their class and no snacks and/or water bottles are allowed. Holiday attire is expected.
- We still have school next week! Winter break begins next Friday and next Thursday IS an early release day with dismissal at 1:30.

See you all tomorrow morning!

-Ms. Anna

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"Everyone is a genius. But if you judge a fish by its ability to climb a tree, it will live its whole life believing that it is stupid."- Albert Einstein