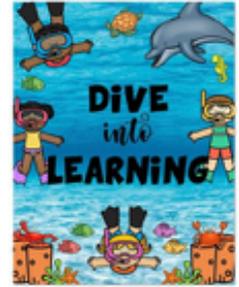


April 25, 2019

Dear Room 5 Parents,

Hello! I hope you all had a wonderful week! We had a fun short week diving into room 5! ☺



Community Building!

We continue to work as a team! We planted our seeds from the author visit last week! Our pot is outside. We observe it on our way out to recess everyday & a new friend helps water it each day! The kids seem to be loving this new responsibility!

Due to the short week time crunch we introduced our new class pets (Sea Monkeys!) and made our first observations of them, but we will be putting them in their tank this coming week. This will give the kids another opportunity to work as a team.

Literacy!

This week's short story favorite would have to be "Peanut butter and Jellyfish". Be sure to ask your child about it! We continued with our classroom novel called, "Nim's Island". Students have continued to draw pictures that represent something happening in the book while I am reading. Then at the end, (depending how much time we have left) they share their pictures with each other and take them home. It has been great hearing them summarize what we've read through their drawings.

The kids have finished writing "All About Me" books. They will share them with peers this week & I will send them home so they can share them with you, too! Each kiddo has had the opportunity to practice reading their stories. They might need a little help with the sentence starters, but the pictures they drew with it help them read! Make sure to have your child read their book to you! They turned out so well! :)

Math & Science!

We will continue to work on our morning questions. I will send home another set of them this week. Be sure to look out for them and ask your child about them! Students are getting better and better each day with writing, discussing, counting, reading and representing the data. You'll notice the tally marks are getting better too! If you practice with your child, we say the 5th tallmark gives a hug. Our class has continued to play War with each other and they seem to really enjoy it!

This week, we had our water table filled with water & ocean animals. Students seemed to really enjoy playing with them and recognizing a lot of the animals we have talked about!

We had another successful bank trip, and sang our money chants. Due to the short day on Wednesday we went to the bank Thursday, but will continue going on Wednesdays as we get back to our regular schedule.

The students continue to have opportunities each day to build with blocks and play board games to enhance their engineering, numeracy and strategic thinking skills!

Music!

In music, we have continued to practice our classroom's end of the year song. It's, "Upside Down" by Jack Johnson, from the Curious George soundtrack. I have attached a copy of the lyrics to this email to practice with your child. We will of course be singing our song a little each day in the classroom. ☺ Here is a link to the music video:

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dqUdI4AIDF0>

With lyrics: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CrSNT9B7ZA8>

The end of the year song they are singing in Spanish is "Hecho con tus sueños".

Here is a link to this music video:

<https://youtu.be/TCKMuBk8DTM>

Quick Reminders for Room 5!

Tuesdays: Library day

Wednesdays: Bank day

We are still collecting box tops so send those any time!

Please do not send toys from home with your child. We have plenty to play with in our classroom!

Thanks for a wonderful week!

I hope everyone has a wonderful long weekend! Enjoy some pictures from our week below.

Love, Ms. Katlyn





