

March 30, 2018

Dear Parents,

I want to thank all of you for coming in last week to meet with me at our parent teacher conference. It was very nice to share information and have a chance to catch up on all that your children are doing. They continue to grow and develop some nice skills. Please remember to contact me if you ever have any questions. My e-mail is cerasolia@hartfordschools.net

We have had a very busy week. The week began with fire safety. The firefighter came and talked about fire drills, fire exits and the importance of having more than one route out of a building. They always enjoy their time with the firefighters. Hopefully, they brought home the papers to share with you.

In science, we continue to work on our plant unit. We have been practicing saying and writing a sentence about roots. I eat _____. It is a _____. We also talk about how your picture needs to go with your writing. So if you are drawing about carrots being roots you should show carrots in the ground. This is challenging for some children. I have included another request for the children to bring in a specific vegetable from a group. Please send these in on Thursday with your child. Please contact me if you have any questions.

We began our reading groups this week. Each week we will try to work on a specific topic. This week it was taking a picture walk through a book or sneak peak to see what you can learn from a story before you read it. It is amazing all of the language that comes out if you take the time to just look and talk about the book before reading it. These are some other things that we talked and learned about: directionality - how books work (left to right/top to bottom/return sweep). We can learn a lot from just looking at pictures in a book! The students were very excited about this.

In Foundations, we have continued to learn two more uppercase letters this week. We have done A-F. We also learned two more trick words. This is the list of trick words that we have so far: a, the, and, are, to, is, his. They really enjoy looking for trick words in books. We continue to work on tapping out words, example cat,rug,sit, etc.

We continue to work on our number corner and math lessons. We are continuing to practice counting, using our math hands, number combinations, etc. We will have a new number corner routine next week with the new month.

We have had fun doing some fun Easter crafts this week which I hope you enjoy hanging in your home for many years.

Upcoming Events:

4/8: Collection deadline for toiletries

4/12: PTA: 6:30

4/16-4/20- Spring Break

5/24: Spring Concert 6:30

Have a great weekend and enjoy family with the holiday.