



Dear Parents

This month, we are practicing consonant blends such as bl, cl, st, gr, dr, sw and many more. We are also reviewing the ch, sh, wh, and th sounds. We use this sound knowledge in our reading and writing. We continue to add new words to our word wall. Recently, we added the color words **brown, black, and white**. We will be adding **what** and **was** in the near future. These high frequency words serve as anchors as we read new text. During writing time, we are working on writing narrative stories, including many details and descriptive words.

In math, we are learning about addition. Currently, we are working on the concept of putting two things together (adding) and counting on using fingers or number lines. We are also practicing our addition facts to 5.

In science, we have begun our unit on plants. We will be planting seeds and watching them sprout inside. Then we will transfer them to our outside garden plot.

Has your child told you about our lunch incentive? If your child's clip has remained on green (ready to learn) or above all week, they may eat lunch with me here in our room on Friday. It's a fun time and a great reward for following directions and being ready to learn.

Coming up:

Wednesday, April 29—Early Dismissal Day

Thursday, April 30—PTO fundraiser at Friendly's, Lincoln Highway East, 5-8 pm

Also, please mark your calendars for Monday, May 11. Our annual poetry picnic will be held in our classroom from 12:35-1:30. Please plan to join us for dessert, poetry, and a special tribute to moms as we celebrate the learning we have done this year! We know that many of you work, but could you arrange to join us over your lunch time???

Questions?? Please let me know.

Have a great weekend,

Sue Gehman

