

April 24th, 2015

Dear Parents and Guardians,



We had a wonderful week learning about our Earth and how we can help protect it and take care of it. Our class learned the importance of recycling and keeping our Earth as clean as possible. We also discussed how the student council and some other elementary classes took the time to clean up around our school earlier this month. This was a great way for the students to understand just how much littering happens in our community but also see the idea of teamwork firsthand.

We also did an experiment with a pretend fish in a pond (bowl of water). The students first noticed what kind of environment the fish lived in: clean, clear, fresh water. As the experiment went on, the fish had to adapt his environment to things such as rocks, dirt, fertilizers,



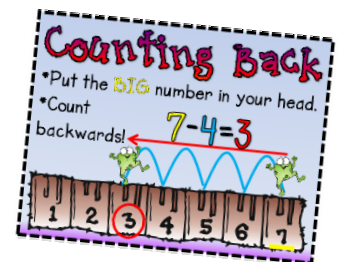
pesticides, soapy water, etc. As all of these things were added to the water, the students saw what it did to the fish and his home. Please ask your child to explain how the fish might have felt after his home wasn't "clean" anymore.



We all decided that we will try our hardest to take care of our Earth, do more recycling, and try to do more walking than riding in cars 😊

In Math we continued working with subtraction story problems. The students are doing well remembering to find the "largest amount" and then take away from that.

The students enjoy playing the game closest to ten as well as showing their work to display different numbers with base ten blocks. This is such a great visual for the students to understand the exact meaning behind the number. We



continued working with counting on strategies and recognizing numbers that come before or after a given number.

Next week we will start our unit on butterflies. In Math we will continue to



work on subtraction skills, use base ten blocks to represent numbers, and review writing numbers to 50. Only 18 more days until the end of the school year! Have a safe and wonderful weekend.

Mrs. Galles

Next Week (April 20th):

Letter: **review Jj, Kk, Ll, Mm, Nn**

Letter Experts: Bryce (Jj on 4/27), Alice (Kk on 4/28), Alexis (Ll on 4/29), Tyler B (Mm on 4/30), Tate (Nn on 5/1)

Everyday words: review

Math: subtraction skills, counting on from given number, base ten blocks

Upcoming Events:

- **Early Dismissal:** Wednesday, May 6th @ 1:30 (Elem. only)
- **JK Graduation:** **Tuesday, May 12th** @ 9:00 am in the Elem. Art Room. Please have your child dress up (no jeans please). Cookies and juice will be served after the short program. Please note your child will still attend school until May 20th.
- **Early Dismissal:** Wednesday, May 21st @ 1:30 Last Day of School

Kindervention:

Week of Aug 26th: Letter Mm **Everyday words:** I, like, to

Week of Sept. 2nd: Letter Tt **Everyday words:** and, are, you

Week of Sept. 9th: Letter Ff **Everyday words:** do, see, the

Week of Sept. 16th: Letter Nn **Everyday words:** made, my

Week of Sept. 23rd: Letter Hh **Everyday words:** is, there

Week of Sept 30th: Letter Aa **Everyday words:** me

Week of Oct 7th: Letter Pp **Everyday words:** a, on

Week of Oct 14th: Letter Zz **Everyday words:** they

Week of Oct 21st: Letter: Review **Everyday words:** Review week

Week of Oct 28th: Letter Bb **Everyday words:** it

Week of Nov 4th: Letter Ii **Everyday words:** will

Week of Nov 12th: Letter Ss **Everyday words:** am, go, when

Week of Nov 18th: Letter Dd **Everyday words:** have, in

Week of Nov 25th: Letter Review **Everyday words:** review

Week of Dec 2nd: Letter Uu **Everyday words:** get

Week of Dec 9th: Letter Vv **Everyday words:** does

Week of Dec 16th: Letter Review **Everyday words:** review

Week of Jan 6th: Letter Ll **Everyday words:** look

Week of Jan 13th: Letter Ww **Everyday words:** we

Week of Jan 21st: Letter Oo **Everyday words:** this

Week of Jan 27th: Letter Rr **Everyday words:** can, what

Week of Feb 3rd: Letter Gg **Everyday words:** of, with

Week of Feb 10th: Letter Ee **Everyday words:** all

Week of Feb 18th: Review week **Everyday words:** review

Week of Feb 24th: Letter Jj **Everyday words:** over

Week of Mar 3rd: Letter Cc **Everyday words:** he, she

Week of Mar 10th: Review **Everyday words:** review

Week of Mar 17th: Letter Kk **Everyday words:** said, that

Week of Mar 23rd: Letter Yy **Everyday words:** no

Week of Mar 30th: Letter Qq **Everyday words:** read

Week of April 7th: Letter Xx **Everyday words:** your

Week of April 13th: Letter review Aa, Bb, Cc, Dd **Everyday words:** review all words

Week of April 20th: Letter review Ee, Ff, Gg, Hh, Ii **Everyday words:** review

Week of April 27th: Letter review Jj, Kk, Ll, Mm, Nn **Everyday words:** review