April 2024 Kindergarten News from Mrs. Gallison's Shining Stars

April vacation is on the horizon! ☺ We hope your child will do some reading and practicing over the vacation week.

Please remember: this time of year, temperatures vary so layers are good, as well as boots for our muddy playground. ^(C) AND extra clothes.....

In Math, we just finished up a unit on teen numbers and have moved onto a unit on shapes:2D (flat) and 3D (solid figures.) We are also going to be working on measurement: length, height, capacity and weight.

In Literacy, our skill focus has been long vowel sounds, words with a silent e, "bossy e", and words that we just need to learn because they don't sound the way we expect, for example, "they", "was", etc. We have also learned about blends, like bl, cl, dr, etc. and digraphs, like ch, sh, th, and wh. Students also wrote a "How To" piece using the words first, next, then, and finally.

We are finishing up our K for ME unit on Construction! Our last K for ME unit will be "Our Earth" and will include plants.

We learned about maple syrup and tree tapping through a read aloud. We then enjoyed some vanilla ice cream with maple syrup on it! YUM! We also did some special Easter activities. This included sorting and graphing jellybeans. We will soon be working on placement for next year. If you have a request or anything you want me to consider in choosing your child's first grade teacher, please email or call me. Also, if you know anyone with a child going into Kindergarten, this is the time for registration. Have them call the office.

Upcoming Events: 4/15-4/19 Vacation 5/1 Arts and Academic Night 6;00-7;00 5/7 Mrs. McConnell's last day (Our student teacher.) 5/8 Early Release for students-Dismissal will be at 11:45 5/7 and 5/8 NWEA testing for K students. 5/17 Kindergarten Screening for next year: Current Pre-K and K students have no school 5/24 Planetarium presentation 5/27 Memorial Day-No School 6/12 Kindergarten End of Year Celebration-1:00-2:00 to be held in the gym. Families are invited. More info to come.

Thanks for all your support!!

-Mrs. Gallison

"Nine tenths of education is encouragement." Anatole France