

## February Kinder Owl News

Thank you all so much for taking time out of your busy schedules to meet with us for conferences. We truly enjoyed having the opportunity to share your child's growth and development with you. We have an amazing class and wonderfully involved parents.

February is a very exciting month in the Kinder Owl classroom. In the mouse house, love is in the air. Clara and Jay will soon announce to the Kinder Owls that they will renew their wedding vows in a very special ceremony on Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>. We have decided to keep the event small and only invite the kinder owl class. This event happens every year. Some years the whole school has been invited and other years all the kinder owl parents have been invited. This year we will be keeping it a small wedding with just classmates but we promise to share pictures with all of you! The children will all be wedding planners. They might choose to be a flower girl, bridesmaid, best man, photographer, musician etc. They will make all the decorations. They will be cooking at school and they will be in charge of planning the menu.

On Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> we will have a special valentine's party for the children. They can make or purchase valentines for their schoolmates and bring them to school anytime prior to the 14<sup>th</sup> to distribute them. It will be a fun day! Attached you will find a class list of their friends in the Kinder Owl Class.

The children are reading and writing every day in school. They each have many books they can read by themselves and are proud of their accomplishments. When they write to the mice they are sounding out words, finding familiar pop up words on their word walls and learning to leave spaces between words. It is so exciting to watch young children enjoy literacy experiences and to get so excited about learning to read and write. Hope you are all having fun at home watching the growth of these smart little kinder owls!

In math the children are learning to write their own phone numbers and each child will have a phone book to bring home. They will also be introduced to attribute games, two-digit numbers and order and sequencing activities. They will have their own math workbooks this month.

In science they will finish their study on wolves and then build and open their own animal hospital. We will welcome their pets (stuffed) and they will be busy caring for them and learning about ways to keep their pets healthy. We are fortunate to have Gabby and her parents as resources for this project.

In art we will study Georgia O'Keefe and enjoy her amazing artwork. Her art will inspire the children to spill off the page with their close up pictures. We are sure they will enjoy learning about a new artist and her life story.

♡ Lorrie

♡ Ann

♡ Kathy