

Kinder Owls Newsletter May 2010

It has been an amazing year with an amazing class! Thank you for sharing your children with us. We have enjoyed being part of their lives and watching them grow. You have been wonderful partners in that process and we can't thank you enough!

During the month of April Kinder Owls worked very hard. In **math** we studied money and time with lots of hands on activities to help the class better understand these concepts. We will continue to reinforce these skills in May. We will also practice basic word problems along with addition and subtraction. Kinder Owls have had lots of chances to practice numeral writing, estimation and graphing. It is truly amazing how much math your children are exposed to on a daily basis.

In **science** this month the Owls decided to study the rainforest. After a lengthy class discussion they decided the rainforest would be our final unit. They will create the role-play area as we study the different rainforest areas and the animals that live there. We will also be talking about the people of the rainforest and how they live in their ever-shrinking environment. We have a few more science experiments and the final observation of our tree to record.

Reading and writing continues in small groups with book making and letter writing. Owls are doing a great job recording their thoughts about their friends in special books created especially for and about them. We continue to introduce some basic rules of grammar that are reinforced daily like **when two vowels go walking the first one says its' name and the second one goes to sleep.**

With dryer weather we hope to have lots more time outside, especially building fairy forts at Roxaboxen. If you don't know

the book borrow a copy from us. It's a magical place where memories are created.

May is super fun and super busy. On **Friday, May 7th we have our Mother's Day luncheon at 11:00am**. Please bring a nut free dish that you can share. This luncheon is very special so please do your best to get a sitter for younger siblings so your Kinder Owl can have you all to themselves. **Monday, May 10th will be our bus trip** to learn bus safety. **Wednesday, May 12th from 5:00 - 6:30pm is our family picnic**. Kinder Owls can bring a dessert to share. **Our last day of school is Wednesday, May 26th and class ends at noon with our kindergarten graduation that night at 6:00pm**.

We are also expecting big news from Mama Mouse this month and in honor of her anticipated bundles of joy we will celebrate babies with a baby unit. We are asking you to send in a picture of your kinder Owl as a baby for a very special bulletin board.

Progress reports and Kindergarten conferences will be scheduled for the second week of May. You can call or stop by the office to schedule a time 964-4066. Schools are working on student placement for next fall and we would like to share the report we have put together for their receiving school.

♡ Ann

♡ Lorrice

♡ Kathy

* We put her on speaker
Phone and all said 'hello'
on Thursday! She will be back
SOON!