

## Week in Review 4-1

### ART

We are entering our Spring unit this month and will be using colorful paint, flowers, bugs, worms, dirt, eggs, and a variety of other items that support this theme. This week the fake flowers with playdough and floral foam were the favorites. We also painted our annual “Monet” floral garden using bright colors, fly swatters, stamps, stickers, loofahs, sponges, texture gloves, paint brushes and of course... our hands! We made 3-D fork painted flower gardens to hang from the ceiling. In this activity we used forks, paper plates, large tongue depressors and a variety of Easter/garden stickers.

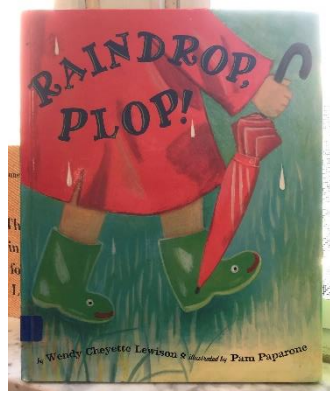


### SCIENCE / SENSORY



Our science experiment this week was the Leak Bag Experiment. We filled a gallon sized baggie with water and challenged our friends to poke sharp pencils completely through the bag and water until it came out the other side. The object was to do this without springing a leak. We almost always spring at least one leak however, most of the pencils hold fast and it is a neat “magic” trick! We also had fun playing with Floam in water, bugs/dirt, birdseed/tubes, and homemade Play-doh/cookie cutters/tools.

## LANGUAGE / LITERACY



We are reading and discussing the weather; how it changes in the Spring and how the earth, humans and animal life depend on the

water cycle to survive. We are spent time this week leaning about the life cycle of a plant and butterfly. Vocabulary – map, atlas, America, Florida, insect, camouflage, life cycle, root, seed, head/thorax/abdomen (parts of an ant).

## MATH / FINE MOTOR



Our fine motor activities this week included, filling/emptying plastic eggs, working with foam ice cream patterns, weaving with ribbons/baskets, number grouping and counting, and lacing beads. A favorite game we played this week was Bugs in a Jar- a game where we roll dice and add that many bugs to a jar. Play-Doh and Floam are also great fine motor muscle strengtheners.



## OUR WORLD



Our friends really got a kick out of the Petting Zoo that visited our school this week. They each got to ride Daisy the pony and pet a variety of farm animals. I really want a baby goat now!



## LOOKING FORWARD:

Thank you for the yummy snacks Bryce! Next up: Campbell

April 18 – Easter Egg Hunt – Please bring 12 FILLED eggs by Monday 15<sup>th</sup>.

April 19 – SCHOOL CLOSED – Good Friday!

April 29-30 – SCHOOL CLOSED – Parent/Teacher Conferences