



## Note from the Teacher

On Monday while I was waiting and watching for the eclipse to cover the sun several things happened to me. When the sun was completely covered I just stood there and said, "WOW", several times. I was reminded that we have a powerful and mighty God who holds everything in his hands and keeps everything in their proper place. I was just astounded by his creation in a way that had never happened to me before. The other thing that occurred to me was the question, "Do I anticipate his coming return with as much excitement and anticipation as I did this eclipse?" I had to admit I had become too complacent and I was appreciative of the Lord refreshing me, and giving me a much needed reminder of a few things. These included that He will return sooner than we can probably imagine and we need to always be watching, waiting, and be ready for his return. Are you ready? Do you know Jesus as your Savior? I hope so.

On to more earthly things now. We have a Field Day coming up soon. One of the events of the day is a bicycle race with the preschool and kindergarten classes. Each child is allowed to bring a bicycle, tricycle, or big wheel. Each child **MUST** have a helmet in order to participate. Unfortunately, we can't allow scooters. It is a fun day for the children. Please pray that we will be able to have it on the day it is scheduled. The rain date is May 7th, and that day is especially busy. The Lord is in control and he know what is best. Thank you for praying about this. Have an awesome week!

## Science

We only have one lesson this week on Friday. Our lesson involves beaches, seashores, starfish and waves. It ties in well with our Social Studies lessons.

# News from the Jungle

Week of April 15-19 2024

## Handwriting

Here is this week's schedule for writing our letters:

Monday: Review and writing lowercase k,v,w, and x.

Tuesday: Using a map. We help Olly Octopus from one location to another by drawing lines to the bakery without being blocked.

Wednesday: Review and writing uppercase letter R.

Thursday: Review and writing uppercase U.

Friday: Writing your last name. We have focused on the first name up to this point, and now we write our last names.

## Pre-Reading/Language Arts

Sophie and Sidney assist us this week as we spend Monday through Thursday reviewing letters y and z and the sound associated with it. They plan to show us a video of a small musical instrument called a zither. Our friends Annie Ant, Billy Bear, and Carrie Cat make their appearance on Friday to help us review letters A-C. Carrie Cat plans to sing a song or two. I hope she has a good singing voice that doesn't crack when she reaches a high note.

## Important Dates

May 3 Field Day

May 10 Kindergarten Graduation/  
LRC Program 7 p.m.

## Math

We will sing "Skip to My Lou" as we work with some shapes and practice adding on Monday. Writing "hello" with a calculator is the order of the day for Tuesday as we practice using them to learn about numbers. We will estimate height and length of some common objects as we explore the concept of standard and estimating when measuring things on Wednesday. We have a pretend "fishing expedition" as we learn about ordering by weight on Thursday. We end the week with some one-to-one correspondence exercises using some beach towels and sunglasses. Max plans to help us with this lesson.

## Bible

On Monday is the Bible story Money in the Fish's Mouth from Matthew 17:24-27. On Tuesday is the review of Respect of Leaders from Numbers 12. On Wednesday is the story James is Not Respectful. On Thursday, is the Bible story Esau Sells His Birthright from Genesis 25:23-24. We end the week with the story Carter Waits Patiently. We continue with the verse, "Honor thy father and mother" from Exodus 20:12a until Thursday when we begin the new verse, James 5:8a "Be ye also patient."

## Social Studies

Our lessons this week focus all about camping and the equipment needed. I plan to tell the children about some adventures our family experienced on some camping trips.

