



Kindergarten News----May 2, 2008

Dear Parents,

It was so nice to return to school and find that all the snow had disappeared over vacation! The children have been able to enjoy playing on the playground without boots and snow gear! The sand box is even open!! We have been working on being good friends and helping each other. You will find that your child may bring home some 'treasures'. These are rewards that they have earned with good behavior in our classroom. They are accumulating 5 purple cards for following rules and directions, listening, and being a good friend to others. They may exchange 5 cards for a prize out of the treasure box. We shop in the box at the end of each day.

This week we started 2 science experiments as follow up activities to Jack and The Beanstalk. We planted beans seeds in a small terrarium that we made out of cups. We also soaked another kind of dried bean in a wet paper towel and placed it in a plastic bag. Then these were taped to the window. We will open bags and the seeds on Monday to see what happens inside the seed when it sprouts.

I've read many versions of the tale of Jack and the Beanstalk this week and we also watched a different video version of it. Today we are watching a video -The Magic School Bus Goes To Seed. It explains what happens with seeds.

Next week the class will begin a unit on dinosaurs. If they have any dinosaurs to share, please label them before sending them to school. We will continue with measurement in math. The children have been rewriting their own version of The Three Little Pigs. They should finish these next week during our Title one time. The school will go to the high school on Thursday for the play based on the book, Harry The Dirty Dog. Thursday is also the last day for Miss Nelson to be in our classroom. She has been a nice addition to our class.

The helpers for next week are:

Monday: Blake

Tuesday: Chase

Wednesday: Makenzie

Thursday: Gabe

Friday: Tyson

Continue to practice counting and reading each day!

Have a great weekend!

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