

May 2011



As you noticed, we extended our “life-cycle” plant study into last week. With so much to cover between butterflies and frogs we did not introduce the flower life cycle until Monday of last week. We focused on a few key points that included the basic life-cycle of a plant, parts of a plant and their functions as well as the vitally important role plants and flowers play in our world. Lastly we focused on the 3 requirements for life of a plant (sun, soil & water), and plants that we eat. The students truly learned a great deal this year during this unit of study...and they can't wait for the butterfly's to emerge from their chrysalis!



We continue to do what has quickly become one of the students favorite circle times - “**The question of the day**”. Some of the more recent questions we have covered include; Why do bug bites itch? Which birds cannot fly? How can flies walk on walls and ceilings? And, How much of the earth is covered with water? Our circle discussions are both very educational and funny...as you can imagine.



You will see that some of our younger learners will be bringing home their **new** more challenging name tracing / writing sheets throughout the week. Some of these students are ready to write their names by themselves and begin learning to write their last names!



Tuition is due on **May 1st** and considered late after the 3rd. Please drop your tuition payment into the **red** tuition box on the front desk by the sign-in sheet. Thank you!

Looking ahead:

May 2nd – 6th We will be having a special guest, our very own Shubhra, Ishaan's mom will be coming in to demonstrate and teach the “**Bollywood dance**” at circle time! We are so excited to have this opportunity to learn and listen to music while we dance!

May 9th - 13th We begin our second “Animal Study” unit on BEARS. As with all our animal studies the students will learn everything including; types of bears, bear habitat, diet, bear family life, bear safety and more! To make this week really special we will be taking our last field trip of the year to the **Build-A-Bear Workshop** where all the students will build their own bear keepsake!

