

# Kindergarten Newsletter

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## Upcoming Events:

- **April 9: Early Dismissal @1:20-3<sup>rd</sup>** marking period ends
- **April 10-4<sup>th</sup> Marking period begins**
- **April 19<sup>th</sup>- report card distribution**
- **April 30 & May 1<sup>st</sup>- NO SCHOOL FOR KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS-** will be welcoming incoming K-students.

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## Spring Has Sprung!

April is here and it is going to be busy. We hope that everyone enjoyed their Spring Break with much needed time with family. We appreciate your continued support in working with your child each night on their homework to help reinforce concepts taught at school. We ask for your help in reviewing these concepts and reading with your child each day. Thank you for all you do to support your child at home and at school!

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## Tying Shoes

In addition to practicing academic skills at home, it is important that your child is able to independently tie their own shoes. If your child wears shoes with shoe laces, please take a few minutes each night to have them practice tying their own shoes. Their ability to tie shoes successfully will help minimize classroom distractions.



# Curriculum Connections

## Writing



As we approach the end of the year we ask you to be mindful of thoroughly completing the writing homework with your child each week. Please be sure to follow the directions of the task, help your child to word stretch- not copy words, and draw their own pictures. Practice makes perfect! Will be finish our opinion writing and transition from writing opinions to writing narratives to describe a single event in order and provide a reaction



## Social Studies & Science

Our social studies focus for the month of April will include: one another than like other animals.

- Old vs. New
  - Comparing/ contrasting things of the past to present day

In science we will begin to discuss how humans have different external features, such as size, shape, etc. But that they are more like

## Reading

In reading we will be finishing our study on informational text. During April we will focus on literary texts. We will be instructing on:

- asking and sharing questions
- and retelling traditional stories.
- We will also discuss new meanings of familiar words, the role of an author and illustrator in a text

We ask for you to continue to read with your child each night and review the high frequency words we have introduced so far this year.



*" There is more treasure in books than in all the pirates' loot on the Treasure Island."*

*--Walt Disney*

## Math

We will continue to work on understanding addition and subtraction

- Addition-as putting together
- Subtraction as taking apart
- Word problems
- Fluently add and subtract within 5