



Crackerjack Weekly News

January 29-February 2, 2018

INSIDE THE CLASSROOM

- We enjoyed learning about the planets and our solar system. We also had several debates and informative talks about Pluto and if and why it is not a planet anymore!
- We incorporated the lunar eclipse and our moon and the sun in relation to the earth. We even made our own planet in Art.
- Our plants finally sprouted - We have radishes, carrots and onions! Our bean seeds also started to sprout.
- We practiced writing the letter A and the number 10 in our Get Set for School Books and like always, the children did a great job finding letter A items from home for show and tell. We also practiced our fine motor skills by playing with roll-a-dough and doing finger snaps.
- We talked about disappointment and how to handle our strong emotions when we don't get what we want. We reviewed and practicing taking belly breaths and remind ourselves to stop!
- Crackerjack quote of the week: After a demonstration of our solar system, one of the children said: "Every time your birthday comes, the earth has gone around the sun 1 time".

Our Farm Friends

We finalized the investigate study on rabbits this month and we learned so many things like: They are also called hares, they hop and run away from predators, they nibble gardens - carrots, grass, blueberries and hay. Hawks eat rabbits. Rabbits run zigzags to escape predators.

Home Connection:

See this week's Second Step Home Link 16 Managing Disappointment attached to our email.

SHOW & TELL: Next Week's Letter of the week is "M". Please have your child bring a Show & Tell item from home that begins with the letter M on Monday and Wednesday and Tuesday and Thursday. If you are in the M-TH PM class please bring your show and tell item on Tuesday and Thursday.

Important Dates:

February 13-14 Valentine's Parties

February 19 - No School (President's Day)

March 26-30 - No School (Spring Break)

Valentine's Party

Please don't forget to have your child bring 20 Valentine's cards on their Valentine Party Day. Please leave the cards unaddressed and only indicate that the card is FROM your child.

THANK YOU!