

Friday, May 16, 2008

Dear Parents:

This week, we are finishing our thematic unit on Plants. Our Kinder Friends book was Trees. The Phonics Library story was Pig Can Get Wet. Our Teacher Read Aloud was The Carrot Seed. The Story Telling and Retelling (STaR) book was Red Leaf, Yellow Leaf. The Kindergarten teacher directed drawing book was I Can Draw The Farm. I have sent their writing journals home. I am happy with the progress they have made. Please take a few minutes to sit down and read the journal with your child. Remember, most of them are spelling phonetically so if you cannot read it easily, ask your child to read it to you.

I sent progress reports to the office today to be mailed home so look for them in your mailbox soon. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the office to make an appointment to meet with me.

We are going on a field trip on Tuesday, May 20. All three kindergarten classes are going up to Arcata on the school bus to tour Sun Valley Floral Farm. I do not have enough chaperones yet. Please contact me if you can come along with us. Not all students have returned their signed permission forms. We need to have your permission before your child can go on the field trip.

On Friday, May 23, the entire student body of Pine Hill School will be transported to the other school in our district, South Bay School, for Exploration Day. There will be a myriad of interesting topics for the students to explore. There will be presenters and exhibits from dozens of agencies, groups and businesses from the community who are taking the time to be at South Bay School to share what they do to make Eureka a better place to live. We will not need permission slips for this trip as it is within the boundaries of our district. I am also looking for parents who would like to spend the day with us and help chaperone.

We are also going on a field trip to Sequoia Park on Friday, June 6. Once again, not everyone has returned a signed permission form. Please sign it and return it to school ASAP. I am also in need of chaperones for this trip. It is an extensive walking tour of the park, so I need LOTS of adult help!

There are only 19 days of school left. We have a lot to do. On Monday we will be starting the last thematic unit of the year Look Around: Exploring Our Environment. We will also be starting to make our Father's Day presents.