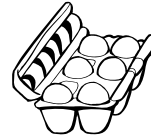


September 28, 2009



Dear Parent(s),

Your child had a great week investigating dinosaurs in connection with the letter “D.” It was fun to create a dinosaur nest and see the excitement in your child’s eyes as a pretend dinosaur hatched from his/her egg. Your child also enjoyed learning about volcanoes and creating a pretend volcano. Your child was so excited to learn new concepts each day and share what he/she learned with others. It is great to watch your child grow each week and show excitement in learning new concepts.

As part of our investigation last week, we did a project that is easy and fun to do at home. We made a replica of a volcano as part of our investigation of volcanoes. Here is how it is done. You need baking soda, vinegar, and food coloring. Place a bit of baking soda in a bowl, add food coloring, and then pour vinegar over the baking soda. It looks like a volcano that is erupting. Your child was very excited to see this when we did it at school.

Here are some special notes:

- **Please remember to send your child’s “Take Home Folder” to school each day. It is important to have each day so mail can be sent home and the behavior calendar can be used. Thank you for your support.**
- **Please remember that Tuesday is our Library Day. Please return your child’s book from the previous week so that your child can take home another book. If your child’s book is not returned by our library day, your child will not be able to check out another book.**
- **It is almost the beginning of October. You should now know what your child’s snack fee is for each month. Please pay your child’s snack fee during the first week of each month. Thank you for your help and support with snack fees.**
- **This Friday, October 2 is Balloons Aloft. Please plan on joining us at 7:00 AM on the field to watch a hot air balloon launch from our school.**

We will begin our investigation of eggs in connection with the letter “E” this week. We will look at real eggs and see what is inside them. We will also see what happens to an egg when it has been boiled. Some of the activities for the week are as follows:

- Cutting out animals of different sizes and gluing them in the size egg that they match.
- Reading the story “Green Eggs and Ham” and then making egg shaped puzzles and coloring them green.
- Making an “I’m Breaking Out” book, which is related to a story we will read in class.
- Creating an egg shell collage by crushing egg shells.

I look forward to another great week with your child. Your child is learning so many new concepts each week, and it is great to see the growth that is taking place. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Hughes