



October 5, 2009

Dear Parent(s),

Your child had a great week investigating eggs. It was great to watch your child as we looked at an egg, then cracked it open to see what was inside. It was fun to learn about all the different animals who break out of eggs. Your child really enjoyed crushing an egg shell to make an egg shell collage. It was also a great learning experience to see what happens to an egg when it is placed into a container of vinegar. Your child was excited to investigate and figure out what the egg looked like after it spent a week in vinegar. This is something you could do at home with your child. You will use a container filled with vinegar. Place an uncooked egg in the vinegar and leave it for a week. The vinegar dissolves the egg shell and you will be able to see inside the egg at the end of the week.

Here is a Special Note:

- **Thursday, October 8 and Friday, October 9 is Fall Break. There is no school this week on Thursday or Friday. We hope you have a nice long weekend with your child.**

We will begin our investigation of farms this week in connection with the letter “F”. This investigation will begin this week and continue next week. We will have a longer investigation of farms due to Fall Break and needing more time to learn about animals that live on a farm. The activities your child will be working on this week and next week will be kept at school to create a farm model in a box. Each day, your child will add something to his/her farm to be completed at the end of our farm investigation. Some of the activities for the week are as follows:

- * Creating a barn front for our farms, making it any color your child wants.
- * Creating a sheep with cotton balls to add to our farms.

Your child is eager to learn new concepts. Each week, we review some of the stories and concepts that we learned in earlier weeks. It is amazing to watch as your child recalls stories and songs that we previously learned. Also, some of the items that we use in our investigations help your child remember concepts done in previous weeks. For example, we used vinegar in our investigation of dinosaurs, volcanoes, and the letter D. Then we used vinegar in our investigation of eggs and the letter E. I look forward to a great week with your child. Thank you for your support. Have a great week.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Hughes