



**\*\*\*Pre-Kindergarten News\*\*\***  
*for the week of 4/9/18*

- **Theme:** Reptiles
- **Introduce:** Review Bold Beginning Story #10 "I Can"/story words read & play
- **Expressive Vocabulary:** gullible – *easily fooled*  
hurdle – *difficulty or problem to work through or get over*
- **Bits of Intelligence:** Musical Instruments

**Language Arts:** A fun, new home/school activity called "The Surprise Box" will begin this week in Mrs. Debbie's room. Each day, a student will be selected to bring the Surprise Box home and place an object of their choice inside. The child, with the assistance of the parent, then completes the included clue sheet. The next day, the student brings the Surprise Box back to school, tells their clues to the class, and the rest of the children will then try to guess what the mystery object is! This is a great game that helps build our vocabulary, literacy, and critical thinking skills. The boys and girls will learn about reptiles this week, too. We will discover that reptiles are cold-blooded creatures that have dry, scaly skin, and hatch from eggs. We'll be sure to include alligators, snakes, turtles, and lizards in our discussion. We'll also talk about amphibians and what makes them different from reptiles.

My Turtle

*Here is my turtle, he lives in a shell  
He likes his home very well  
He pokes his head out, when he wants to eat  
And pulls it back when he wants to sleep!*



**Concept:** We are working hard on learning place value. We will also be working on our following directions games and our different path activities. In science we'll discuss the differences between reptiles and mammals.

**Craft & Writing:** In Mrs. Tiffany's room we will be working on readiness papers. We will practice using listening skills in a "Think and Do" paper, as well as reviewing opposites. Look out for a very green reptile to slither home with your child! Please continue to help your child practice writing their letters properly.

**Important Dates:**

April 25.....Parents Night @ 6:15  
May 19.....End of the Year Program at Prairie Jr. High in Alsip-  
The Pre K will perform at 2:00pm, please let a teacher know if your child will not be attending so that their part can be reassigned.

Help Wanted: Donations of gently used boys and girls clothing as well as winter gear (snowpants, boots, mittens or gloves) would be greatly appreciated- thank you!