If you want your children to keep their feet on the ground, put some responsibility on their shoulders.

- Abigail VanBuren

* The Kindergarten News * for the week of 3 / 29 / 21

- Theme The Farm / Spring & Easter
- Introduce Contractions with will and have
- Expressive Vocabulary **browse** *to glance through or look over casually, such as books or other materials*

curt - short; concise; somewhat rude

- Bits of Intelligence Insects
- Fable The Beekeeper and The Bees

Welcome back from Spring Break! I hope everyone enjoyed their time off and is ready for the last two months of our academic school year!

Language Arts

Our unit on the farm will conclude this week. We will talk about the many types of machinery found on the farm and the different types of crops a farmer might grow. We will be sure to discuss corn, as Illinois is one of the top producers of this versatile food. Our work with contractions will continue as well. This time we will focus on contractions with will and have. This includes I'll, you'll, he'll, she'll, I've, you've, we've, and they've. We will also discuss Easter this week. The boys and girls will learn more about the symbols and customs of this holiday that celebrates rebirth. On Wednesday, everyone will get the chance to dye their own egg. The Easter fun culminates with our party on Thursday. We will celebrate with an outdoor egg hunt (weather permitting), a craft project and of course, a socially distanced visit from a special "some-bunny"! Will he have filled our handmade baskets with a batch of Easter surprises?

Math & Science

We will continue to work on our addition and subtraction fact families as well as using our Unifix cubes to help us measure objects in our classroom. We will also discuss our new season and the many wonderful changes that it brings. The students will learn that Spring means not only warmer weather and more hours of daylight, but is also a time of new life. On Wednesday we will hold our annual Spring Color Day. The children are invited to wear as much of their favorite color as possible to school on this day. What a beautiful class we'll be as we sit in rows of rainbow colors enjoying a special snack. We will even perform a fun rainbow experiment too!

Important Dates

| March 31 | |
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| April 1 | Easter Party |
| 1 | . Good Friday / no academic classes / school open for daycare only |

A special thank you to the Duncker, Haberny, McEnerney and Wrobel families for your donations to the students' Easter baskets. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated.