



### April and May Newsletter

Turtles enjoyed a week of Children's Choice after April vacation. Now we are exploring the world of bugs! We are singing "Ants Go Marching" at outside circle and "Head, Thorax, Abdomen" for inside circle. We are practicing bug yoga with poses such as fly, grasshopper, bee and ladybug. Our sensory table is full of soil with live worms! Students are excitedly picking worms up, having them crawl on their arms while using magnifying glasses to study them. They are also excited to find and catch bugs on the playground in the mornings.

We are challenging all students to complete two "have-to's" each morning and checking their names off to practice "centers" for next year. Our classroom is practicing the new Foundations alphabet. Every two days a different letter of the alphabet is introduced. Students practice three times saying the letter, the coordinating word, and the phoneme (letter sound) The Turtle Team is also encouraging students to be as independent as possible in terms of cleaning up spills, sweeping up after a messy lunch and packing up their belongs in their backpacks throughout the day.

Please **"Save The Date"** for our end of the year celebration . "Bike and Breakfast" will be on Wednesday, June 13<sup>th</sup> from 8:00-9:30 AM. Students are invited to bring a bike or scooter with a helmet to ride on the path behind the town building next to the field. Families are invited to enjoy a light breakfast and hear some songs sung by the Turtle class. More detailed information will be forthcoming.

Teachers are busy writing Spring Conference Reports which are due to go out on Wednesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. There will be a clipboard available on that day to sign up for parent conferences which are scheduled for Tuesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> and Wednesday, May 30<sup>th</sup> for Turtle families.

Please let us know if you have any questions. We love spending time with your children!  
Mary, Niki, Carrie, Margot and Ali