

Weekly News 5-3-19

This week we have been busy with several new units. On Thursday, we had an exciting ECO session. We searched for and found many spring ephemeral flowers. (Ephemeral means only here for a short period of time). We have also finished reading the third book in the Dory Fantsamagory series. The entire class is eagerly awaiting the release of the fourth book. It is not due out until the fall.



<u>Math</u>

In math, we are now studying geometry. We are learning to use math language to describe and define shapes. We are also learning about prefixes such as uni (one), bi (two) and tri (three).



<u>Plants</u>

The most exciting new unit this week has been our discovery unit. We are engaged in learning about the structure and function of plants. We've turned our

classroom window into a bit of a greenhouse. We are hoping to witness some changes in our plants and in our seeds over the next few weeks.



<u>Writing</u>

Students are developing their opinions in writing. Our current goal is to state an opinion and support it with multiple - detailed reasons.

Forms

If you have not yet returned your field trip permission forms or your thoughtful class placement form, please do so. If you need an additional copy of any form, please let me know.

Field Trips

We have many field trips coming up between now and the end of the year. These trips are intended to enhance academic studies from the year.

Stuart Little - May 13th

We will be traveling to the Barre Opera House to watch a performance of Stuart Little. This is a partial day field trip, at this time we are not able to accomodate chaperones as we don't have enough tickets. A permission slip was sent home in your child's folder.

PE Lab - Golfing - Wednesday, May 22nd

We will need chaperones and drivers for this trip. Please see the permission slip for details.

ECO Celebration - Mallory Brook - Thursday, June 13th

This is a traditional East Montpelier ECO field trip. We will be hiking to Mallory Brook and spending the day outside exploring plants and water.

Montshire Museum Trip - Thursday, June 20th

We will be traveling by bus to the Montshire Museum. Students will have time to explore the science exhibits and to play in the water exhibit. This is a full day field trip. We will need chaperones for this trip.