



Pre-K Newsletter

To: Our Pre-K Families

From: The Pre-K Team

This month begins the Light and Water unit of study! During the Light portion of the unit we will explore many concepts such as, types of light in our homes and cities, how light helps us see and stay warm and how light helps plants grow. We will also talk about how and why shadows appear when an object blocks light and the concepts of light versus dark. At home you can discuss the different light sources in your home and when you need and don't need to use these sources.

During the water portion of the unit, activities will allow children to learn about water through hands-on explorations and provide opportunities to observe water in their immediate environment. We will take a look at how water is a large part of our everyday lives. As the weather changes according to the season, we will use these changes to observe, draw, paint and discuss rain, snow, puddles, storms, etc. Students will observe, discuss and explore water in their classrooms and throughout their environment such as bodies of water and weather.

Books To Read At Home for Water:

It's Raining! by Gail Gibbons
Anna Carries Water by Olive Senior
Come on Rain! by Karen Hesse
A Cool Drink of Water by Barbara Kerley
Who Sank the Boat? by Pamela Allen

Vocabulary for the Unit

*Battery *candle*clouds *dark *electricity *fire
*flashlight *lightning*mirror *reflection
*shadow *stars *sunglasses *transparent
absorb •beach •boat •boil •cloud •deep •dissolve
•diver •faucet •float •form •fountain •freeze •gas
•hail •ice •island •liquid •melt •meteorologist •mist
•ocean •pond •precipitation •repel •river •sea
•shallow •sink

Help Wanted:

If you have any extra of the following to support our water unit, donations are always welcome!!
*sponges, measuring cups, water color paints, food coloring, egg cartons, ice trays, cotton balls, straws, cardboard paper towel and toilet paper tubes, fishing toys, beach toys, buckets, empty detergent bottles, camping lantern, flashlight, battery operated candles, strings of lights, or any other light sources

Books To Read At Home for Light:

Blackout by J. Rocco
Flashlight by L.Boyd
The House in the Night by S. Swanson
Guess Whose Shadow by S. Swinburne
Little Owl's Day by D. Srinivasan

Important Dates:

3/3 – Evening Parent Teacher Conferences
3/4 – 11:15 Dismissal Half Day for Parent Teacher Conferences
3/29-4/2- Spring Recess-No School