

Kinder News

December 18, 2015

**V.I.P.’s**

**Devon** likes Transformers, circles, monkeys and bananas.

**Jacinda** likes carrots, rainbows, Monterey Bay Aquarium and lambs.                   
**Mia** likes dolphins, Disneyland, red apples and chicks  
**Quinne** likes strawberry ice cream, Disneyland, Sea World, red and green apples.

**FARMS**

We finished up our farm books that we have been making in class and also did our farm assessments. We hope you take the time to enjoy the book with your children.

**Language Arts Skills**

This week we started on Unit 6 in our skills. We have started with blending four-Sound Words together with initial consonant clusters. The children are also doing reading in big books. You will be receiving a paper copy of all the stories that we read in class. We hope you will keep these and let your children practice reading them to you. We tell them all the time that the more they practice reading, the better readers they will become. The students also learned that an ‘s’ at the beginning of a word will almost always be sounded /s/. However, in other positions in a word, especially at the end of words, the letter ‘s’ is sometimes pronounced /z/.

**Listening and Learning**

We have finished up our domain on farm animals and farms. This week we learned about the different jobs the farmers have to do during the different seasons of the years. We learned about fertilization, pests, crop dusters, etc.... We also learned about the process of getting crops to processing plants and then to the supermarkets.

**Math**

This week we have been making comparisons within 10. The children have been using the words more than, fewer than and the same as. They are also relating more and less in length and comparing sets informally using more, less, and fewer. These are great words to put in your conversations with your children at home.

**Thank You!**

Thank you for the many thoughtful contributions you have given to the class, whether it be your time, a supply or a gift of thanks. They are much appreciated. Take time to enjoy how much your child has grown, practice reading together and enjoy the holidays! See you January 4, 2016!