



# Kindergarten Newsletter



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### This Week in ELA:

This week in reading, we went over sight words *they, on, and off*. Our vocabulary words were *seedling* and *photosynthesis*, as we embarked on our study of plants this week. In writing, we reflected and wrote about our experience in the garden. We also began our plant observation journals where we visit the garden and write about how our plant is changing. We did two observations this week. We are embarking on narrative writing once more beginning Monday, thinking of "small moment" stories from our lives.

### This Week in Math:

We practiced fluency within the number ten using counting dots and our ladybug mats. We also practiced solving add to/change unknown problems, such as "There were three bunnies in the field. Some more hopped over, and then there were seven. How many more came?" We will continue expanding our word problem/equation knowledge throughout the fourth quarter.

### This Week in Science/Social Studies:

This week in science, we kicked off our study on plants. What better way to do this than with a hands-on gardening experience? Make sure to check the front page of the blog for pictures! We discussed how plants make their own food through photosynthesis using sunlight, water, and air. We also learned about the life cycle of plants AND had a visitor from Riverbanks Zoo teach us about how humans use plants in their everyday lives and how pollination works.



4/5 Graeson Cummings  
4/13 Jena Haddock  
4/27 Sandy Bressler

### Important Dates:

4/29 Half Day  
5/5 NASA night



### Reminders:

- To register for Kindergarten for the 2016-2017 school year, please visit the district's website to complete the online enrollment process.
- Please sign your child out no later than 2:15 if you are picking up early for any reason.
- Please send your child in uniforms daily! ☺
- Library Checkout: Frazier-Tuesday, McKenna-Wednesday



## Home Talk:

We are all very excited for our new gardening unit. On Tuesday, our Riverbanks Zoo representative taught us that things we eat, wear, and use every day are often made from plants...even a shower loufa! Hunt in your home for items that come from plants. Make a list and bring it to share!

### We are Bucket Fillers!



**We fill buckets...no dipping!**

Each week, teachers will pick a student who has done a great job being a "bucket filler," or a kind friend. This week, our bucket fillers are:

**Ging Mack and Alex Todd**

Congratulations, Bucket Fillers!