

Sun Bear News

Updates from Weeks of April 4 & April 11



Countdown for Chickens

Sun Bears are patiently waiting for eggs-traordinary happenings.

Something egg-citing is happening right at this moment in one corner of the Big Bear/Sun Bear classroom. Eighteen eggs are incubating, with about seven days left in their warm (~100 degrees) and moist climate. We enjoyed a week of activities and discussions, with art, writing and literature choices that reinforced the children's understanding of eggs. "When are the chicks going to hatch?" is a daily question, and our Sun Bears can check on the poster next to the incubator that pictures what the chicks look like at each day's development. With the beautiful spring weather, we enjoyed the game "Duck, Duck, Goose" outside. Stay tuned—this experience will just get more fun (and fluffy.)

April 21 & 22
Thursday and Friday

No School

Parent/Teacher Conferences

April 25
Monday

Dewey's Pizza Fundraiser

April 28
Thursday

WUNS Family Play Date

Bicycle Helmet Check by St.
Louis Children's Hospital



“We’re talkin’ baseball, baseball in St. Lou....”

With the Cardinals home-opener this week, we couldn’t resist planning a baseball theme with snacks, projects (beaded necklaces and glove lacing) to practice fine motor skills, books (Play Ball, Amelia Bedelia, Players in Pigtails) to inspire conversations, and some classic wiffle ball on our playground to practice hand-eye and gross motor skills. Many Sun Bears can swing a great bat and throw an accurate ball.

We reviewed shapes (in English and Spanish) because the baseball diamond (“diamante”) lends itself to looking for bases (squares, “cuadrados”), home plate (pentagon, “pentagono”), baselines (rectangles, “rectangulos”) and on deck circles (“circulos”).

Until next time,

Miss Katie

&

Miss Colleen

On Thursday and Friday of this week, we will get the chance to review a fabulous year with your V.I.B. (Very Important Bear). These conferences are a way to highlight areas of growth; we look forward to meeting with you.