



## MARCH'S TOPIC:

### **WHO LIVES UNDERGROUND?**

- Ants, worms, millipedes, centipedes and beetles are just a few of the small animals living underground.
- Chipmunks, moles, badgers and groundhogs dig burrows and live underground.
- Moles are considered pests, but they keep the soil loose and aerated. Their feet are like little shovels and they can dig very quickly. Their eyes are tiny and do not see well, but they can smell their food.
- Badgers make their dens in grassy areas, and have very long claws for digging. They can dig faster than a person using a shovel!
- Groundhogs and chipmunks make long tunnels with rooms and multiple entrances. They carry the dirt away in their cheek pouches.
- Many other animals such as foxes, weasels, opossums and rabbits may use a groundhog burrow as their home, for a short while.