

# Crackerjack Weekly News

April 9-13,2018

#### INSIDE THE CLASSROOM

- Ciao! This week we went to Italy. We had an Italian restaurant, learned some Italian words, talked about culture, made pizzas, and the Leaning Tower of Pisa. The children were fascinated with the famous leaning tower and asked, "How does it stay up?" Some of the children called it "The Leaning Tower of Pizza". We also sorted pasta, made pasta necklaces and even pretended we were Michaelangelo painting a "ceiling" (under the art table).
- We continued to review our vowel sounds and also colors. This week we reviewed black and gray. We played games, learned a song, and practiced spelling these color names. We also practiced finding similarities and differences.
- In Second Step, we practiced thinking of Solutions. Our puppets, Jack and Jill acted out problems and we gave them ideas for solutions. The children were great problem solvers!

## OUR FARM FRIENDS

It was an exciting week with our farm friends! Not only did we get to spend time with our favorite pig, Charlotte, in the petting pen, WE HAD PONY RIDES! Cinco, Magic, Orbit and Sky did great on the pony ring.

## Home Connection:

See this week's Second Step Home Link 24 Thinking of Solutions attached to our email.

SHOW & TELL: Please have your child bring a show and tell item that begins with the vowel sound "U" on Monday or Tuesday next week. If you are in the M-TH PM class, please bring your item on Tuesday. Please note that show-n-tell will only be done once a week.

## **Important Dates:**

April 16 & 17 Class Pictures

April 20 No School (In-Service Day)

April 25-27 No School (Parent-Teacher Conferences

## Class Pictures

On April 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> we will be taking class photos in the barn with the animals. If you haven't ordered your picture, we have order forms in the office. The last day to order pictures will be April 19<sup>th</sup>.