

## UNDERGROUND



February 7, 2020

Dear Kindergarten Parents,

Well, we have had an undoubtedly great week in the kindergarten room. We met a new letter person – Ms. U. We found that she has an unusual umbrella that will take her up, up, up. Ms. U is also a LetterLight just like LetterLights A, E, I, and O. She lights the way in many words and even some of our names! The boys and girls have become very good at sounding out simple three letter words with the letterlights in the middle. With Ms. U we sounded out such words as: sun, fun, bun, rug, bug, hug, cup, pup, hut, nut, cut and many more. If you write these words out on a piece of paper for your child to sound out, this would be great practice to work on his/her reading readiness skills. You could also say the word and have your child write the word by sounding out each letter in the word. (Really s-t-r-e-t-c-h out the word for your child to hear the sounds.) What a funny time we had reading the books *Underwear!*, and *Dinosaurs Love Underpants.* Then we designed unusual underwear to create our own funny class book of *Unusual Underwear!*. We had a lot of giggling going on during these activities! We had the most fun reading the chapter book of *Junie B. Jones Has A Monster Under Her Bed.* We have enjoyed our opening exercise singing “Under My Bed”, “Uh, Oh!” and “Under One Sky”. We discovered that there are really no monsters or alligators living under our beds, but maybe a few “dust bunnies”. We have just had an unbelievably wonderful time with Ms. U!

Later in the week we met Ms. V who has a vegetable vest. She showed us the way to plant and care for a vegetable garden, as well as, look and listen for Vv’s. We read the books *Verdi,* and *Volcanoes.* Other “v” things we learned include purple and violet being the same color and we constructed a volcano and watched it erupt! It was great! We are becoming more and more aware of how valuable the letters around us are and how they help us read! Please keep looking for the letters V and v and listening for the /v/ sound!

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In math class this week we have covered skills including the following:

- Representing subtraction as taking from
- Using the minus sign
- Representing and explaining subtraction with equations

Please share with your child subtraction stories at home. For example, there are four plates on the table and you take two to the sink. How many are left? Help your child understand subtraction in real life experiences and then help them write the subtraction sentence to show the story. This is such great practice for them.

Our spelling words for next week include the words:  
led, fed, bed, red, wed

**DATES TO REMEMBER:**

Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup> .....Real Men Read (Pete The Cat Goes Camping)  
Monday, February 17<sup>th</sup> .....NO SCHOOL Home Learning Day  
Tuesday, February 18<sup>th</sup> .....PTO Meeting 6:00 in Library

Everyone have an unbelievably, uplifting, unique weekend!

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Rissler 😊

**UNDERGROUND VEGGIES**

