

Open House Art in the Little Flower



Let's bake a cake!



From the Coordinator

The Cheerful Chipmunks, The Wonder Pets and The Jolly Ranchers are finishing up their year of learning, sharing, playing and growing! It has been wonderful for all of us teachers to witness the transformation from chubby-cheeked post-toddlers to strong and tall and independent young children!

We look forward to seeing some of our former Little Flowers out in the play yard this summer. It is likely that many will pop in from the deck door now and then just to say hi, and of course we will welcome them with open arms.

Happy summer everyone!

Announcements

Bye-Bye Little Flower! Summer Camp starts soon!



Looking forward to lots of outdoor activities, including sprinkler play and water table fun starting Monday, June 28.

Cheerful Chipmunks

The Cheerful Chipmunks enjoyed the first two weeks of June as we prepared for Family Fun Day Open House. Andrew, Annabella, Chad, Jude, Kaila, Lucy, Nicholas, Noah, and Veebhu are very proud of their special book of art, collected from samples throughout the year. The Chipmunks are also keeping a good watch over their garden, especially the sunflowers, which are growing so nicely.

Father's Day was another special theme this month. During class we drew pictures, talked about being great helpers with our dad, asked what are our dad's favorite color, favorite food and the favorite thing we like to do with him. We loved baking our cake and making our special portrait of "me and my dad."

This last week of June we got ready for the transition to summer camp by remembering good manners, practicing listening skills, and reviewing ways for making new friends. We made a bulletin board as a special gift for the new Seedlings who will start soon: it's a Rainbow Fish Friendship collage.

This year we all learned a lot about animals in the woods. But most of all we learned how to work as a team, to be good friends, and to enjoy being part of a group as we discovered new things. Goodbye, Chipmunks! It's been wonderful!

June Birthday

Ruby



What a crowd at our Open House!



High school seniors and former Seedlings visit us at Open House



Beautiful art of the Little Flower



Tending our garden at The Seed

Wonder Pets

The Wonder Pets welcomed two new friends, Brandon and Tyler, this month. June was a very busy month as we finished working with bugs and got ready for Family Fun Day.

All the Wonder Pets loved making their spider webs, and Rocco and Jefferson were the first ones done as we read "The Very Busy Spider".

Brandon, Carly, Christina, Jefferson, Jylls, Kaitlyn, Kirsten, Marina, Rocco and Tyler did a great job helping putting together all our projects for Family Fun Day. Everyone enjoyed seeing all their projects hanging up, and the chocolate chips cookies they made were a big hit!

The Wonder Pets have grown so much, making good friends, working with letters, numbers, colors and shapes, which they will continue to learn as they move on.

I (Miss Peggy) enjoyed having them in my class and wish all the Wonder Pets and their families a very happy, healthy and safe summer.

I look forward to seeing all my little friends in the playground.



Jolly Ranchers



The Jolly Ranchers' class welcomed our new friend Ethan this month. What an amazing transformation for each Rancher from September until now! They truly are little seeds that sprout and blossom and I (Miss Annie) am pleased to have experienced it along with them. Our wonderful farm theme afforded endless opportunities to explore, discover and expand our knowledge and skills.

We referred to our wonderful **Big Book of Questions and Answers - Farm Animals** often while we prepared for the Open House. Hopefully you had the opportunity to see the hard work that went into designing, building and painting the Jolly Ranchers' version of the "John Deere" tractor. It was awesome watching Alex, Lucas, Luke, Eric, Ryan, Viktor and Ruby come up with the plan and design. Ethan, Sebastian and Max were the master painters as we mixed and spread the bright green color chosen from our book, **TRACTORS**. We became very familiar with these two books throughout the design and construction of our tractor and hay wagon.

This month we played several sorting, matching and patterning games pertaining to animals and items on the farm. Singing was a favorite pastime as the children mastered waiting for a turn to paint, come to the flannel board or raise hands to share their experience and thoughts with the group.

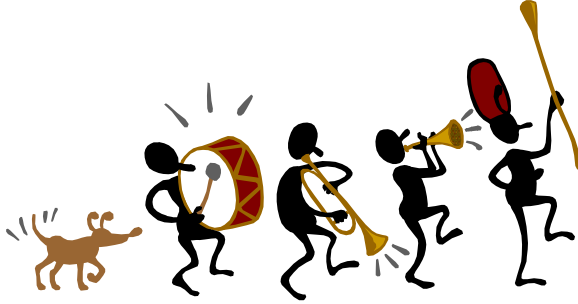
Some of our friends are moving on to the Blossom and I find comfort in knowing we will see each other often on the playground.

Have a wonderful summer, with warm wishes from the Jolly Ranchers!

We really like to paint!



"THE SEED IS SUCH A SPECIAL PLACE. IT REALLY IS WHERE CHILDREN BLOSSOM."



The Marching Mice band!



Music and Movement

June was another happy month for *The Marching Mice*. They had lots of fun playing and singing the tunes they know and moving to their rhythms. Being part of the band and knowing their parts made each child feel accomplished and enjoy being part of a group.

The Little Flower children also learned more new songs.

"Let's Go to the Market" invites them to choose healthy foods. In the song, the children echo the name of vegetables, grains and fruits as the song plays. It is a happy song and helps the children become familiar with concepts such as healthy food and other aspects of good nutrition.

Another song that the *Marching Mice* have begun to practice is an adaptation of the song **"We Are Together Again."**

Here are the lyrics, in case you want to sing it with them:

Chorus (two times)

We are together again,

We're here, we're here

We are so glad that we are together again,

Singing all together again

We're here, we're here

Repeat chorus

Oh, we all live together, yes, we all live together,

Oh, we all live together
Together everyday

Repeat chorus

We have all lived together, as the song says, for a whole school year here in the Little Flower, watching each other grow and learning to enjoy music and rhythm together. What a great experience it has been!

**The Seed will be
CLOSED
Monday, July 5
Independence Day
(observed)**