

# Kindergarten May Newsletter

**May!** Wow, this year is quickly coming to an end and we have a lot of things planned to celebrate all the learning we have done in kindergarten this year. We hope that as many parents as possible can join us for our final field trip to the **Lincoln Children's Zoo on Friday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>**. This will be an extended day for all the kindergartners. **Both morning and afternoon students** will begin school at 8:15 and return to school at 2:00 on this date. Further information will be coming, so watch Wednesday Folders for more information! Our generous P.T.A. takes care of the admission for all students attending, so all your child will need to bring on that date is a completely disposable lunch to enjoy at the park! Also during the month of May, the kindergartners will be **visiting first grade** to meet next year's teachers and explore what the first graders learn during their day.

## Literacy

Our final theme in reading will be **A World of Animals**. The students will be doing animal research in the library with Mrs. Sleight to prepare for our zoo trip. We will use the zoo trip as our culminating activity for this unit. **Show and Tell** will be on **any Friday during the month of May**. Your child may bring an item to share on **one Friday** which has to do with animals. Please remember, though, we cannot bring pets to school due to allergies. We welcome, however, pictures of your pets, and we'd love to post them in our rooms to share!

Reading will be focused on end of year assessments of sight words, word families, word endings (ing, ed), and syllables. Beginning /ending sound chunks will also be introduced and worked with during the last few weeks. These are the blends we will be spending more time on: th, sh, wh, ch,. The students will be exposed to the vowel partners of -oo, -ow, -ee, -ea, -oa just to familiarize them with these for first grade.

## Math

**Addition and subtraction practice** will remain our focus for the rest of the year. Ask your child to demonstrate what they know!