

# THE SPOTTED SCOOP

April 2026

## COMPREHENSIVE STUDENT REVIEWS

Our CSR's are right around the corner. Please be on the look out for an email with a sign up genius link to choose an appointment time. If none of the times listed work with your schedule, please email me and we can work out another time that works better.

Comprehensive Student Reviews (CSR's) are an opportunity to discuss your child's unique growth and acquisition of skills throughout the year. It's also a chance for you to ask questions and start planning for next school year. It is always my goal to meet with 100% of families for a spring CSR and I look forward to bragging on each and every one of my students during these meetings. Please look for the pre-conference sheet in your child's Tuesday folder, fill it out and return it ASAP. This helps me to prepare for any questions you might have during the Comprehensive Student Review.

## CHARACTER CORNER

One hallmark of fairytales is that they often have a moral of the story. Some of the morals in the stories we have read include not judging others by their appearances, those who share the workload also share the reward of the task, and working steadily towards a goal will ensure success. Help your child to practice this skill at home by identifying the moral of the story with them in their bedtime stories and finding evidence to support that from the text.

## CULMINATING EVENT

In young fives kindergarten we will be welcoming parents to come into the classroom to join their students for our kindergarten culminating event. Each student has worked hard on a retell kit to retell a fairy tale of their choices. Students have practiced retelling stories with all important details and with telling the events in the same order in which they appeared in the book. Students have also created several other art, STEM, and writing pieces which will also be on display during this culminating event. At the end of their culminating event you will be invited to share milk and cookies with your child and to take them to shop at the book fair.

**Every child needs a grown up to come in on this day** to support them as they present their project. Please check your email for a link to the RSVP sign up genius. Multiple loved ones are welcome to attend this event but **please only RSVP for 1 student.**

## THANK YOU MYSTERY READERS!

Thank you so much to those who came in to read to our class! The Spotted students have loved hearing stories from parent volunteers. We will continue to welcome mystery readers throughout the month of April. Please let me know if you are interested in volunteering to be a mystery reader!



# CHANGING WEATHER

We are eagerly awaiting spring weather at recess time. Please make sure to check the weather each school day to see what it will be like between 10AM and 11AM. Students may need a winter coat one day, nothing the next day but a jacket the day after. It is helpful to continue sending your child in to school wearing either rain or snow boots as the playground tends to get muddy this time of year. Just a note that children are required to have a coat outside if the temperature (with windchill) drops below 55°. The daily "high" temperature usually doesn't occur until multiple hours after our early morning recess time.

## SPOTTED HIGHLIGHTS

- Learned about folk and fairy tales - folk tales are old stories told from one generation to another. They usually have a moral to the story or lesson to be learned.
- Read several folk tales such as The Little Red Hen, Jack and the Beanstalk, The Three Little Pigs, Little Red Riding Hood, Cinderella, The Ugly Duckling, Tortoise and the Hare, and Goldilocks and the Three Bears
- Learned about how to retell a story with the setting, characters, beginning, middle, and end.
- Introduced the concept of place value in two digit numbers
- Practiced writing teen numbers without place value flips
- Practiced counting by ones, and tens all the way up to 100
- Learned about adding with hands on manipulatives
- Practiced forming capital and lowercase letters
- Practiced blending sounds together into words and reading CVC words
- Practiced reading words independently
- Practiced writing words with finger spaces with teacher help
- Welcomed many mystery readers to our reading class. Thank you those who came in to read to us!
- Visited the explorer museum in their volume zoo and learn about animals
- Culminating event projects.



## COTTING UP!!!

Culminating Event - Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 2:00PM

Mother/Son Dance - Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup>

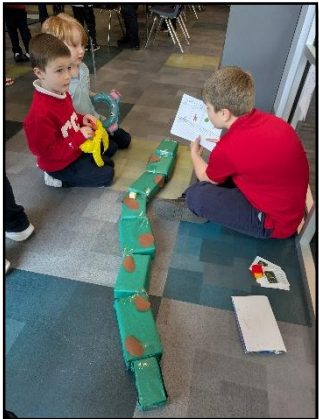
Daddy/Daughter Dance - Saturday April 18<sup>th</sup>

Parent Council Meeting - Monday, April 13<sup>th</sup>

Earth Day Spirit Wear - Wednesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>

No School for CSRs - Thursday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> & Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup> (Check email to sign up for an appointment )

Evening CSR's - Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup>



Explorer students created sculptures and writing pieces about their chosen animal. They taught Spotted students all about their animal.