



## Classroom 111

### End of the Year News

*It is hard to believe that our school year is almost over! We have enjoyed watching your children grow & learn with us this year. Here is an update of how we have been wrapping up a wonderful school year.*

#### What's New?

*Thanks to the items that some of you sent in, we were able to travel all over Europe from inside our classroom! We talked about Spain, France, England, Germany, & Poland (just to name a few!) and the children loved looking at life in those places. We ended our tour of Europe by visiting Classroom V111's Europe fair, where the children were able to see pictures & artifacts and taste foods from countries all over Europe.*

*Ms. Rack ended her unit on oceans with a study of sea turtles, shells, and the layers of the ocean. We have loved having her in our classroom this year and appreciate all that she has added to our curriculum!*

*Ms. Huntzinger is working with the children on a science unit to close out the year. We have all become scientists & are learning about magnets, air, & water. The class has loved making colored ice cubes, evaporating water, &*

*swirling milk! We will include a summary of some of the experiments that we have done at the end of the newsletter. They might help to take up some time during the upcoming summer break!*

### *Thank yous & Thoughts*

*\*\*\* Thank you to everyone who sent in items and snacks from Europe!*

*\*\*\* Thank you to Mr. Brann (Elke's dad) for helping us with our unit on bugs! He shared information on his impressive bug collection with the children, which they LOVED!*

*\*\*\* Thank you all for sharing your children with us this year!*

*\*\*\* Wednesday & Thursday we will be having our annual Class in the Grass (if the weather cooperates). Please SEND YOUR CHILD WITH SUNSCREEN ALREADY ON BOTH DAYS!!! We will be spending both days outside and want all the children to be protected. Also, please send them in clothes and shoes that are conducive to outside play.*

*\*\*\* Thursday will be pizza day (because it is the last day in our classroom) & our school picnic will be Friday at Masterson Station.*

*Please stop by, email, or call with any questions.*

*Gretchen, Heather, Joann, Viviana, & Melissa*



### Summertime Science

***\*\*\* Magnets = Fill a glass jar with water and drop a small magnet inside. Use another magnet along the outside of the jar to move the one in the water up and down.***

***Put about 6 magnets that are polar opposites on a wooden skewer and watch them attract & repel each other.***

***\*\*\* Water = Put red, yellow, & blue food coloring in water in ice cube trays (to make red, yellow, or blue ice cubes). When they are frozen, place 2 of the ice cubes in a Ziploc bag and see what colors they create as they melt! (this was a classroom favorite!)***

***Make jumping raisins! Put some raisins into a clear cup of club soda and some into a clear cup of water. Watch the difference (the ones in club soda will become surrounded by bubbles and will jump up and down in the cup).***

***Place about 2 tbs of salt into a bowl of warm water & watch the water evaporate over the next few days (it will leave the salt behind).***

***Fill a bowl or pie tin with water. Sprinkle pepper into the water until there is a solid layer of pepper on the surface. Carefully squeeze a drop of dish soap into the middle of the pepper and watch what happens!***

***\*\*\* Milk = Pour some milk into a bowl or pie tin. Allow the milk to come to room temperature. Add a few drops of food coloring to the milk and then a few drops of dish soap. You will create swirled milk! (another favorite!)***

***Enjoy & have a safe, wonderful summer!***