

## Classroom VI News

April 7, 2010

### **Spring and Summer!**

It's been so warm this week it seems like summer! On these sunny days, many parents want their children to use sunscreen. Since most formulations will stay on for the entire day, please apply sunscreen in the morning before leaving home.

Small groups of children are enjoying work in our Native Specimen Garden. It is so rewarding for them to make the garden beautiful and ready for spring flowers.

### **Bird News**

For April, our "bird of the month" is the House Wren. Ask your child where house wrens make their nests. You may be surprised by the answers! And on the zebra finch home front, we didn't find homes quite fast enough and we have more babies! Only one has come out of the nest but we have noticed two more heads peeking out so there are at least 3 babies - maybe more! Keep your eyes and ears open for anyone looking for a new pet.

### **Current studies:**

We will soon be starting Earth Day projects. As a reminder, we ask that most of the work be done here at school and that parental involvement be minimal. You will soon receive a separate note related to work on Earth Day projects.

### **Thanks:**

Thanks to all our drivers to The Livings Arts and Science Center. We have another field trip on Monday, April 12 to UK to view the solar house. Thanks in advance to those offering to drive.

### **Cell Phone Project:**

Although the cell phones are consistently coming in to be recycled, we are still a bit short of our goal of 100 but there's still time! The ending date of our drive is April 22 so keep them coming.

### **Eagle Scout Project:**

A former student of Classroom VI, Tyler Weathers, has recently sent out his appeal letter to garner funding for the Zen Garden to memorialize his mother, Janet. Some of you may remember her as director of the after-school program. We hope that you will consider a contribution to this cause.

**Upcoming:**

In addition to our field trip on April 12, 4-H camp is scheduled for April 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. You should receive a whole packet of information related to 4-H camp shortly.

We will soon be starting a vegetable garden with cool-weather vegetables such as lettuce and radishes. We appreciate any parents willing to help in this endeavor.

*Amy and Mary*