

# April 2017

## In The Classroom

During April we will be studying and learning all about chicks and animal life cycles!

Our reading series will focus on comprehension. As we reinforce these skills, it would be helpful at home to discuss the main idea of stories and the skill of drawing conclusions.

Our Writing skills are really progressing! We will be moving on to writing narratives/stories using a beginning, middle and ending sentence. Our Washington State kindergarten standards state students should be able to use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to narrate a single event or several loosely linked events, tell about the events in the order in which they occurred, and provide a reaction to what happened. Please see the back for a copy of the writing rubric we use with the kids. How "Egg" citing!

### **What Fun! It takes 21 days to hatch chicks!**

Rooms 1, 2, 4 & 5 are patiently awaiting the arrival of our baby chicks. The kids are learning many facts about the lifecycle of a chicken and all of the important responsibilities we have while we are incubating eggs. Please encourage your child to learn more about the lifecycles of living plants and animals...they will soon make the connection in their learning about how plants and animals continue to survive. What fun!



## Upcoming Events

**Spring Break!**  
**No School April 3<sup>rd</sup>-April 7<sup>th</sup>**  
ENJOY !

**April 20<sup>th</sup>: PTO mtg. @6:30 in  
the Ridge View Library**

**Mid Trimester will be  
Friday, April 21<sup>st</sup>**

**KINDERGARTEN  
REGISTRATION-WILL BE  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26<sup>th</sup> 2:30-  
4:00!**

## Important Announcement

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## In the Community

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