

# ISLAND PARK UFSD

## UNIVERSAL PRE-K



### Time for Creativity

The unit theme we are going to explore this month is children's literature and classic nursery rhymes. Students will explore literature through daily read-alouds, role-playing, and imaginative play. Students will work on creating their own stories and expressing themselves through storytelling. Students will be learning how to communicate ideas through different forms of storytelling. We will be encouraging students to use their imaginations.

### Learning through Play

**Q: While planting seeds, students questioned, "What type of plant would grow from the seed?"**

A: Children explored the seeds by looking at them with magnifying glasses, exploring in the soil and digging and watering their own seeds. Since the seeds were blue, students predicted what would grow from it.

**Q: While learning how to write their numbers, students questioned how to write 2-digit numbers?**

A: Children used the resources of the classroom such as the calendar and 100th Day of School board to observe and write 2-digit numbers.

### Our Newest "Reads"

Ask your child about the facts we learned and the characters we met while reading!

- ◆ The Doorbell Rang by Pat Hutchins
- ◆ The Mixed-Up Chameleon by Eric Carle
- ◆ Animals Should Definitely Not Wear Clothing by Judi Barrett
- ◆ There was an Old Woman by Virginia Allan

### Math Counts! We can now count to 30.

The number concepts we worked on this month include:

- ◆ Representing a number of objects with a written numeral.
- ◆ Number recognition.

### Write from the Beginning

We are focusing on writing our first names and continuing to learn how to write capital letters utilizing the proper letter formations. We will begin writing some of the words we have learned through reading.



### Quote of the Month

*"Children have to be educated, but they have also to be left to educate themselves."*

-Ernest Dimnet

*Special Thank You to our chaperones who have volunteered their time to accompany us on our field trips!*

### Parent Tip of the Month

- Practice name writing. Reinforce that students are writing their first letter as an uppercase and the rest of the letters are lowercase.

