

## ANCILLARY NEWS

### March 2010

#### Fine Arts

This month in Fine Arts we will be studying Leonardo da Vinci and his painting the *Mona Lisa*. The children will learn about Leonardo da Vinci and the significance behind the *Mona Lisa*. We will then explore using pastels and the children will be given the opportunity to create their own version of the *Mona Lisa*. Your children are so creative and I am always amazed at the beauty of their artwork.  
~Elizabeth Hibbetts

#### Creative Movement

The month of March is an exciting time in Creative Movement! With the onset of spring, and the resurrection of Christ and the Easter season approaching, we will be doing a lot of things which center around new birth. We will be doing a praise parade thanking God for the birds and flowers with bottles filled with birdseed as noisemakers. We also will explore the caterpillar to butterfly concept, moving through a tube to emerge as a butterfly. Spring rain showers will also be one of our themes this month as we have "Jesus stops the storm" as one of our bible verses. We'll be doing a "raindrop dance" and running like the wind during that week.

All of the children have dramatically improved since the beginning of the year in Creative Movement and they continue to amaze me with their progress and enthusiasm. Have a great spring break everyone and try to fit in some kind of physical activity every day. God bless. Keep Moving~Ms. Rachael

#### Science

In Science we are talking and learning about Life Cycles for March and April. I will be talking to the classes about the Life Cycles of Chickens, Ladybugs, and Butterflies. We will be focusing on how they all start out being eggs. We will be doing some egg-cellent experiments and find out how strong an egg really is and how God made their shell a certain shape to protect them. The cart will continue this theme and I have many fun activities about these three Life Cycles. One of the best experiments we have is actually see the life cycle of a butterfly in their class! The caterpillars should be here when the kids get back from Spring Break!~Kate Potter

#### Spanish

Hola Padres! Spring! (Primavera!) It's such a great time of year, and Sra. Haidee's favorite time of the year! The vocabulary words for the month of March (marzo) are primavera (Spring), patos (ducks), mariposa (butterfly), papalote and cometa (kite). I will read the children a book called Amigos, about little shapes (formas) that are not allowed to play with one another because they are different. In the end, they all get to play together and become great friends (amigos). The children will work on a review worksheet about the different shapes (formas), and we will also play shape bingo this month. I enjoyed seeing and meeting so many of the Dads on Donuts for Dads day, and wish you all a great Spring (primavera) Break.~Sra. Haidee

## Music

Since it's rodeo time in Houston, we are singing Texas songs in music. We are using the rhythm sticks to keep the beat of "The Legend of the Bluebonnets" and dancing our way to the "Texas Fair".

Spring will soon be here, so we will be learning songs about birds hatching and caterpillars turning into butterflies. Butterflies remind us of Jesus' death and resurrection so we will hear songs that teach us "Jesus is Alive" We will also learn "The Butterfly Song" so we can thank God for making each of us unique. Have a wonderful Spring Break.~Ms. Sue Early