Good Afternoon Parents,

This week, the students completed their fourth unit in our reading program. Over the past five weeks, they learned many new sight words, practiced long vowel sound combinations, and read all about animals. Students will be bringing home their unit four sight word flashcards to use for review at home. In math, students continued to build their understanding of place value. They are doing a great job recognizing numbers in standard, expanded, and ten block form. This week, they used dimes and pennies to represent the tens and ones in their numbers. The class practiced identifying coins to make identifying coins in our math work a little easier. Sorting and identifying coins is great math practice that can be done at home, too! In science, we continued working on our insect invention project. The students learned how to give and receive constructive feedback as they discussed their inventions in small groups.

Next week, students will begin a new unit in reading that focuses on the world around us. We will study new sight words and learn about r controlled vowels, such as the "ar" in barn. Students will work on comparing numbers using "greater than", "less than", and "equal to". In science, students will begin creating models of their insect inventions using dough and paper mache. Students will also begin learning about the elements of poetry next week. Poetry is a great way for students to examine creative fictional and informational writing pieces. Students will build their knowledge and create their own poetry pieces.

## Important Dates

Friday, April  $5^{th}$ - Tonight! Multicultural Night in the Multipurpose Room, Please come and enjoy!

April 15<sup>th</sup>- April 19<sup>th</sup>- No School, Spring Break Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>- Spring Picture Day Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>- School Spirit Day- Silly Socks Day

It is an exciting and busy time in Room 22 and we are having so much fun learning!

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Sarkany