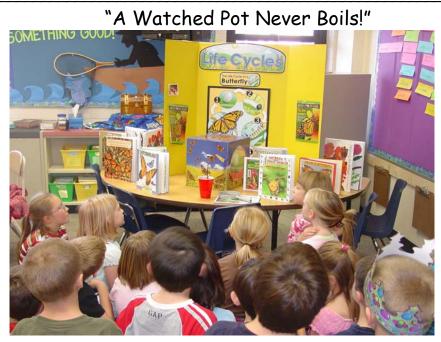


## October 2006

## Mrs. Naylor



In the above picture you can see the students observing a chrysalis that is about to become a butterfly. Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope you all are enjoying this beautiful fall season. I can hardly believe it's October already. This school year is just flying by! Our class had a great first month getting to know each other and familiarizing themselves with the class routine. We are learning a lot and having so much fun!

I'd like to give you an update on the topics we will cover in the upcoming weeks of school. <u>Reading/Language Arts:</u> We will continue small reading groups and our center stations will focus on plurals, "ed" and "ing" endings, contractions, and compound words.

<u>Spelling</u>: We will continue to use the Rebecca Sitton spelling program. The students will learn approximately 4 new words each week and then do activities with each word.

<u>Math</u>: We will complete Chapter 2. This chapter focuses on addition and subtraction strategies and facts to 20. We will also continue to do our daily "Rocketship Math."

<u>Science</u>: We will begin our unit on Plants and Animals. We recently began this unit by studying the life cycle of a butterfly right before our very own eyes!

<u>Social Studies:</u> We will complete our unit on Communities and Maps.

Our <u>character theme</u> this month is RESPONSIBILITY. We will incorporate this into many of our activities.

**Upcoming Events/Important Dates**: We will be having our first classroom party on October 31<sup>st</sup> to celebrate Halloween! It is a half day so the students are to come dressed in their costume. We will have a parade and then our party.

If you haven't had the chance to check out our classroom website, be sure to visit it at <u>www.mrsnaylorsclassroom.com</u>.

Please feel free to call me at the school, send me an email, or write me a note if you have any questions.