## **Green Room- Classroom Hot Topics**

April is a big month for St. George School. Hopefully the rain stays away and brings us cool weather. Because we have the Week of the Young Child and Knight for St. G's (Slaying of the Dragon) this month. And it is very exciting for children, teachers, and parents. To give you short description of what WYOYC is an annual celebration hosted by (NAEYC) celebrating early learning, young children, their teachers, and families. And below is what us as a school will be celebrating each day. We have fun activities planned and it definitely will be an eventful week. I hope you bring the party from school to your homes.

**April 16th- Music Monday** 

**April 17th- Tasty Tuesday** 

April 18th- Work Together Wednesday

**April 19th- Artsy Thursday** 

**April 20th- Family Friday** 



## **Environment**

Spring time can be a great learning experience for toddlers because animals are coming out and weather allows the children to be conformable outside. We will be learning about different animal habitats, by creating a bear cave out of cardboard box and using teddy bears to put into the cave. We will also take about animal hibernation and sing the song "Bear is Sleeping" while the children are playing inside the cave. And taking the play outside we will go on bear hunt and see what they see/ hear.

After we go on the bear hunt we will continue our listening skills and have the children explore various types of music around the world. The children will paint at the easel and playing will be fast and slow tempos songs. While listening to music we will talk to the children about how the music makes them feel and see the different strokes made with paintbrushes based on the music that was played. That should be fun to see the difference.

To continue the work done with our hands, we will help the children enhance their fine motor skills and eye-hand coordination. Children will practice pouring & scooping by pouring rainbow rice into plastic eggs in the sensory table. They will also decorate paper eggs, by applying glue to a paper and then added the big pom-pom of their choice to the egg paper.

And lastly to continue the talk about Spring, the Green Room will explore cause and effect. One of the ways we will learn is by teaching the children about condensation. With Ziploc bags, soil, water, and sun we will create condensation in a bag for the children to visit and see the difference each day. This is great way to start the talk about how plants, fruit and vegetables grow.

## **Events**

Apr. 3 & 4<sup>th</sup> - School Picture Day

Apr. 20th - St. George's Day -Slaying of the Dragon - 9AM

Apr. 4th - PTF Meeting @ 8:30am

Apr. 22<sup>nd</sup> - Knight for St. George's

Apr. 16- 20th Week of the Young Child