

April showers bring May flowers! This saying describes our next unit. The children will be learning about the water cycle, how seeds grow into flowers and the exciting process of caterpillar to butterfly.

From April 2<sup>nd</sup> to April 13<sup>th</sup>, we will be concentrating on how seeds grow into flowers. The children will watch lima beans sprout and will plant some flowers.

From April 16<sup>th</sup> to April 23<sup>rd</sup>, our focus will be on caterpillars and butterflies. The children will make crafts, sequence the process from caterpillar to butterfly, graph their favorite butterfly and caterpillar.

During this month, we will also begin to work on scissor skills. We will start with snipping scissors and move on to child safety scissors. They will be snipping paper to make flowers and cutting pictures of flowers out of seed catalogs for gluing.

Number recognition and counting will also be a focus this month. I have seen a dramatic increase in the children's interest in counting and their understanding of one to one correspondence. During your daily activities, I encourage you to count with your child and point out numbers when you see them.

Our Spring Unit should be a lot of fun for the children!

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