



**Miss Amanda and Miss Nancy
Room 5**

Welcome back from spring break. I hope everyone enjoyed their time off. It's hard to believe that spring is here already and our year together is almost over!

Favorite Activity: During Dr. Seuss week the children enjoyed listening to a variety of his books and were able to try to make some of their own rhymes too! The children were excited to show me what book they brought in to share with the class. Rhyming is a very important step in understanding language and a pre-reading skill.

During St. Patrick's week we did many activities with shamrocks. We counted shamrocks and matched it to the corresponding number, we found shamrocks that were hiding around the room, and we sang a song called "Green Shamrock". Everyone held a shamrock as we put it on different parts of our body, on objects around us, and did different motions with it too!

The children used their imagination to build some Leprechaun Traps to try and catch that Leprechaun, but he is so tricky and fast that he got away!!

I've had magnify glasses out on the Science Table and the children have enjoyed using them to look at objects up close. They also like using them to "look for clues" around the room and pretend they are searching for things. The children look at each other with them too and use words to describe what they are seeing.

The children have had lots of fun building and making structures with various building materials. They have been bringing animals from our toy basket into their structures saying they are making homes for their animals. It's been enjoyable to watch the social skills improving and problem solving improving while they are playing with blocks.

What's Ahead: Coming up in April our themes are: Community Helpers, Chicka Chicka ABC, Earth Week, and Animals. We will be going on a field trip to Kline Creek on April 26th Please be on the lookout for a permission slip.

