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Dear Parents of VPK Students,

Dr. Seuss has a birthday on March 2nd! We always love to celebrate his birthday each year and read a few of our favorite Dr. Seuss's books, and did some themed activities. Dr. Seuss is one of our favorite children's authors because his stories both captivate the attention of young children and teach important literary concepts such as rhyme, repetition and rhythm. Another great element of his books is the ability to be transformed once the book itself is closed! The children love to hear the playful language and rhymes of his books. His real name was Theodor Seuss Geisel and was born on March 2, 1904 in Springfield, MA. He was an American children's author, political cartoonist, illustrator, poet, animator and film maker.

Small Group/Art: In honor to One Fish, two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish, we had the children trace their left/right hand facing each other. Colored one red, one blue, added eyes and wrote the title of the book.

To represent one of our favorite books, Cat in the Hat, we made a cat face on a paper plate and added a hat. They made a pattern using red and white strips of construction paper. They wrote rhyming words on each stripe such as bat, cat, hat, rat, and sat. The children also drew their face on the bottom of a paper, and on top, drew apples in a pattern: yellow, red and green for the great book "Ten Apples Up On Top!" We also represented The Lorax, using patterns such as eyebrows, and a mustache. For another favorite character, we did hats for Thing 1 and Thing 2 using blue strips of construction paper glued around a white headband. They also drew their favorite Dr. Seuss character in their journals. On Thursday, the children wore silly socks and we made a graph: Are you wearing silly socks? We gave them a sock stencil and had them trace and color them the same design as their own socks and graphed them.

In Science Lab with Mrs. Davis, we did sorting by colors and sizes.

We visited our beautiful garden twice, to water and count tomatoes and peppers!

Books Read:

The Cat in the Hat, Green Eggs and Ham, Fox in Sox, The Lorax, Hop on Pop, One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish, Oh, The Places You'll Go!

Quote of the week:

The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go!

Remember that reading books aloud and playing with language helps create strong literacy skills.

Have a great weekend,

Mrs. Marta, Mrs. Ana, & Ms. Ariel