

# WHAT'S "WHISTLING" IN THE CARDINAL CLASS FOR APRIL 2020



## APRIL MONTHLY ACTIVITIES



### April Science Experiment...



We will celebrate Earth Day and our wonderful Earth.

- The teacher will tell the story of how Earth Day was first celebrated in the United States on April 22, 1970 to promote preservation of the environment. Afterward the class will make a pledge to be EARTH-FRIENDLY!
- The children will brainstorm and think of ways to conserve electricity, water, and paper. The teacher will write down their thoughts and ideas and then the class will follow through on their ideas throughout the day!
- The children will play the "What Am I Game". The teacher will bring in several items and the children will determine if it goes in the "Recycle Bin" or the "Garbage Can".
- Plant flower seeds

Meet Letters Jj, Dd and Ww

#### **The children will:**

We will meet the letters Jj, Dd and Ww and review all the letters we have learned to date.

#### **The children will:**

- meet Jolly Jogger.
- try to Juggle.
- dance the Jive
- meet Ditto Dog
- "Read" our Dd rhyme and bring it home to "Read" to you!
- Print each letter in their individual handwriting books.
- Make pictures of things that start with the letters Dd in their picture dictionary books
- meet Wacky Walrus.
- dance a Waltz

# Numbers

## 16 17 18

### DANCE OF THE WEEK

The children will be learning the basics of these fun dances, helping to reinforce the "letter" of the week. "**Jive, Electric Slide, & the Waltz**"



### **"BIG" Word of the Week...**

**Jubilant**-feeling or expressing great delight

**Detrimental**-Tending to cause harm

**Worrisome**-having a tendency to worry

### **ARTIST OF THE MONTH Leonardo Da Vinci**



### Fine Motor Development

**Tweezers Transfer** A bowl with cotton balls provides an excellent opportunity to improve fine motor skills. The children will be given large tweezers and will transfer the cotton balls to an empty bowl. Chopsticks are also given to the children for this activity. The children improve their fine motor skills by learning to control the tweezers and position them around the cotton balls. They must also keep the tweezers closed until they reach the empty bowl, where they must use the fine motor skills to release the cotton.