



Washington University
Nursery School

Sun Bears

*We believe in learning
through play.*



April 27, 2018

SCHOOL YEAR 2017 - 2018



Upcoming Important Dates:

**SPECIAL DAY FOR MOMS
AND GRANDMOMS:
Friday, May 4, 2:15 pm**

**END-OF-SCHOOL PICNIC
AT SHAW PARK:
Tuesday, May 8, 5:30 pm**

**LAST DAY OF SCHOOL,
AND ICE CREAM TRUCK:
Wednesday, May 16**

How happy are Sun Bears to experience spring? These pictures show the excitement that four- and five-year-olds have after our lengthy winter. We love to bring our learning through play to the outdoors. A shovelful of dirt becomes an adventure in exploration and discovery—love those worms! With some resources from the Missouri Department, we read stories about what happens when a fire takes hold in a forest, and how a clover seed travels from plant to animal to soil to plant again.





Caterpillars and butterflies occupied our centers this week. The caterpillars ate their special food and grew longer and plumper last week. We have transferred them to the “condo” shown at left, because now they are in the chrysalis stage and hanging from the roof. In the next week, painted lady butterflies should emerge in all their beauty. We will then take them to the Elizabeth Danforth Butterfly Garden on campus to set them free.

The children had the chance to create caterpillars and butterflies in a variety of mediums, and they thoroughly enjoyed The Very Hungry Caterpillar, I Wish I Were a Butterfly and Caterpillar's Wish.

SPOTLIGHT ON: ART



WUNS is fortunate to have several enrichment programs that add to the learning in the regular classrooms. Children have Music, Art, Spanish and “Nature on the Move.” Sun Bears enjoy Miss Suzy and her Art Studio once per month. During each of the classes, the children are introduced to an “element of art” (line, shape, form, value, space, color, texture) and build understanding through conversations and experiences in the studio. Recently, the children did self-portraits, which will be coming home soon.

*Happy Spring!
Miss Katie and Miss Colleen*