Dear Families,

For the past week and upcoming weeks your child will be participating in a light and sound unit. We began our sound unit by creating a KWL (Know, Want to Know and Learned) chart. A KWL chart is where we discuss what we already know, describe what we would like to know, and then at the end of the unit discuss what we have learned. We will create a KWL chart for light as well.

Over the past week we have read many books about sound. Magic School Bus The Haunted Museum taught us that you can hear sound because of vibration. We taped our fingers with our heads on the table and found out that even the lightest tap, we can hear because of the vibration of the table. Today we watched a movie to learn more about sound waves. Over the next few weeks your child will be learning about where sounds come from and how they are created. After we conclude our sound part of the unit we will transition into learning about light.

We will be learning about our main source of energy, which is the sun. Your children will be discovering other sources of energy as well. As a class we will be doing many learning experiences to support our learning. We will be discovering how shadows are made, which objects light passes through, what happens when you shine light at a prism, and how sound is created through vibration. We will be using various materials such as prisms, flashlights, silverware, rulers, and cups to explore light and sound.

To support our learning of light and sound we will be reading many books about light and sound. We have a small selection in our classroom right now that we checked out from the library. I encourage you to discuss light and sound with your child. Ask your child what they learned about light and or sound today. Ask them to demonstrate taping their finger on the table. If you have any questions or comments please feel free to contact me or Mrs. Fairfield.

Sincerely,

Miss MacMurray

Student Teacher