

KinsKlub Report - Kris Berg, KinsKlub Coordinator

May has been a month of maybes. Maybe the sun will come out more so we can plant some flowers, maybe the shorts the kids want to wear will be warm enough ALL day, maybe we will go outside with sidewalk chalk...nope it's raining. May has been teaching all of us to stay flexible and shift plans as needed. That's a good skill to learn!

May has brought out our art skills. The kids crafted special May Day posey bundles to hand out to welcome in spring to many of our downtown neighbors and folks who support us at Kinship regularly. May 1st was a blustery, cranky weather day but the May Day surprise brought 30 smiles out to brighten the day. The kinskids have been creating a kaleidoscope of colorful flowers on our windows since the weather hasn't quite cooperated outside. They worked individually and as a group to create beautiful blooms on our windows.

Graduation caps have been colored and are up to celebrate our four Kinskid Graduates. Some of our kinskids didn't have any idea what graduating was all about until we started celebrating our own Miss Keely and then the four Tomahawk graduates. Goal setting at an early age, in subtle ways, to help them strive for graduation success.

They achieved group success accomplishing the goal of everyone getting a "Gotcha" being caught at doing something extra kind or helpful without being asked. We celebrated with hotdogs and an ice cream sundae party. Next request for a Gotcha goal is for a pizza party in the Fall.

Miss Keely is creating our Kinship Summer Reading program and will launch the Summer Scoop Reading Challenge soon. Active participants will get to take part in an ice cream celebration and winners will be awarded prizes at the end of the summer.

Be on the watch for a model train club just for kinskids, more to come on this endeavor soon.

Maybe June will bring warmer weather and more changes....maybe.