

## *Dear Families,*

We are starting Unit 4 in the Connect4Learning® classroom program. This unit is about museums and collections. We will explore the following topics and skills:

- **Science:**
  - » Dinosaurs (paleontology)
  - » Medieval times
  - » What is inside museums, who works there, and how museums work
- **Math:**
  - » Patterns and how to extend them
- **Literacy:**
  - » Fairy tales
  - » Comparing and contrasting real and imaginary stories
  - » Stating opinions and providing support for them
  - » Creating signs for collections and exhibits
- **Social and Emotional Skills:**
  - » Differences in emotions from one person to the next
  - » Problem solving with emotions
  - » Managing strong emotions such as anger

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By the end of Unit 4, we will have created our own classroom museum!

What you can do:

- Talk about museums with your child, and visit a museum if you can.
- Read books about museums, dinosaurs, and medieval times.
- Point out and talk about signs and captions in the community, especially how they help you.
- Encourage your child to state an opinion and back it up with supporting statements. For example, ask your child to name the best TV show or movie, and ask, "Why do you think so?"
- Find patterns in your daily life, such as with laundry, dishes, and toys, and create new patterns with them.
- Log in to the online portal to play games and see notes on your child's progress: <https://platform.connect4learning.com/user>

*Sincerely,*