

Dear Family: in class today, we learned about eggs and animals that lay eggs.

**Did you know?**

- Some animals lay eggs. They lay eggs in nests, in water, and on leaves.
- Eggs have a cover. It keeps the animal inside safe.
- Birds and insects lay eggs. Fish and turtles lay eggs. Lizards and reptiles lay eggs, too.
- There are only two mammals that lay eggs. Other mammals have live babies.

**Ask your child:**

- Describe what you did with the eggs.
- Tell me about the different kinds of eggs.
- Tell me about some animals that come from eggs.

**Vocabulary:**

- egg – an object that has a baby animal inside. An egg has a shell.
- eggshell – the thin covering around a bird's egg.
- hatch – to break out of a shell.
- observe – to watch with care.
- lay – to put something down flat against a surface.
- nest – any place that animals use to hold their eggs.

**Activity:**

Take a walk around your neighborhood, or go to a local park with your child. Discuss the animals that you see. Try to find animals that hatch from eggs. Help your child to make a list of them. Send the list to school to share with us.