May 15, 2015- The Kindergarten Earth Soldiers get recognized for their environmental contribution. The “Earth Soldiers”, is the new name the children voted on to replace “the Kindergarten Green Committee”. Each child was awarded with a pin sporting their new title and an icon of an Earth friendly reptile of their choice. Some of the activities mentioned during the ceremony the Earth Soldiers participated in were:

* Reusing materials in their art
* Reducing paper use
* Recycling appropriate materials
* Composting
* Rethinking how they used materials, and not wasting them
* Planting and tending to the gardens around the school
* Picking up trash
* Participation in Trash Free Tuesdays by weighing and measuring the trash collected, making charts and graphs to inform the CYC community of how the program was progressing. Also, by turning off the lights and using cloth napkins on Tuesdays.
* Recycling markers and making containers for all classrooms to participate. Afterward counting the results and sending them off to recycle.
* Learning about the environment through their playground and reptile studies, giving them a more in-depth appreciation for their surroundings.
* Improving the CYC playground by researching ideas and designing new elements along with the Come Alive Outside program to encourage children to spend more time being active and learning in the outdoors.