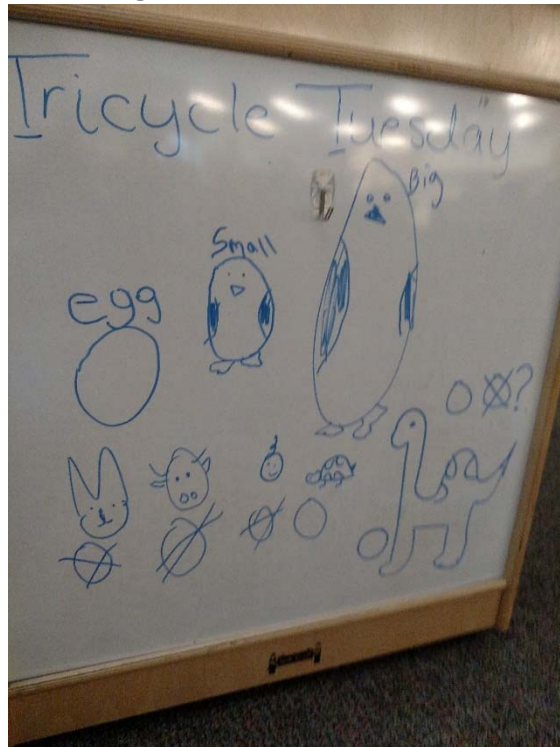


What Comes First....the Egg?

The four year class at West Midland Family Center recently read a book titled "I Am Small" during a group meeting. The story is about a young penguin noticing the world around him. During the story a preschooler mentioned that penguins hatch from eggs. The teacher seemed amazed at the statement. The story was paused as the preschoolers discussed what else hatches from eggs. One teacher drew pictures of the preschooler's words on the board for them to see while other preschoolers wondered if cows have eggs and many others questions were raised. The preschooler's interest in this topic has led to "The Monkey Class" doing a study about eggs. A study is a detailed investigation and analysis of a subject or situation. The teachers will support the preschooler's ideas and help them answer their questions by giving them the tools they will need. They will end their study by creating their own eggs and deciding what will hatch from them.



The beginning stage of their egg study is pictured above. A teacher documented the preschoolers ideas and thoughts so they could refer to them when needed.