



Crayons 2 Pencils Preschool

Month- September 2010

Class: Preschool Play-N-Learn

What to expect this month

(No class Monday 6th for Labor Day)

(**Session #1** Classes start Tuesday Sept 7th & **Session #2** Classes start Wednesday September 8th)

Week # 1 September 6th – 10th

Show & Tell: Your favorite toy

Theme: All about me **Letter:** Introduction to the letters in the Alphabet

We will be putting together a book about your child this week. We will include pictures of our family. Our book will include our favorite colors, animals and food and so much more. *Please send pictures of your child and anyone in their family to school.* We will glue these pictures to our books. We are going to talk about the alphabet. We are going to count all the different letters we see. We are going to talk about upper case and lower case letters as well.

Week # 2 September 13th – 17th

Show & Tell: Your favorite stuffed animal

Theme: Apples **Letter:** Let's get ready to write Aa

This week we are going to introduce how to correctly hold a pencil. We are going to learn how to make straight, curved and slanted lines. We will practice tracing shapes and lines with our pencils. We are also going to introduce our very first letter of the year! Letter Aa. We will talk about the sounds that the letter Aa makes. We are also going to look at our friend's names and see if anyone has an Aa in their name. We are also going to talk about apples and the different colors they come in. We are going to count apple slices and even paint with our different shapes of apple slices. We are going to learn where apples come from.

Week # 3 September 20th – 24th

Show & Tell: A toy that has your favorite color on it

Theme: Mixing Colors **Letter:** Bb

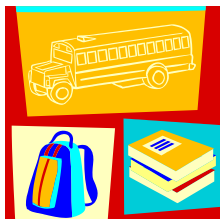
This week we are going to have so much fun with colors. We will be mixing colors in a variety of items. We will be mixing colors in our test tubes, glue bottles and with our paint brushes. We are going to talk about primary colors and secondary colors. We are also going to talk about the letter Bb. We are going to make a pair of glasses that have the shape of the letter Bb on it.

Week # 4 September 27th – Oct 1

Show & Tell: Pick a leaf to bring to class

Theme: Season-Fall **Letter:** Cc

This week we are going to talk about one of 4 seasons "fall". We are going to make a very colorful collage of leaves collected around the neighborhood. We will talk about all the events that take place in the fall such as school starts, Halloween and thanksgiving. We are going to talk about what happens to the trees during the fall as well. Our letter of the week is Cc. We are going to go on a Cc hunt to see how many Cc's we can find hidden in our room. We will use our bodies to make the letter Cc. Ask your child to show you how to make the letter Cc at home both on paper and with their body.



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Reminders/ Items needed

- 2 or 3 pictures of your child with people in their family (they will be glued to our books)
- Please make checks payable to Jill Larsen
- Show and Tell every Wednesday / Thursday

Birthday Chart



No birthdays this month

Fun Tips for Parents

Parenting feisty 3-year-olds

<http://www.sheknows.com/articles/813862/your-3-year-old-development-behavior-and-parenting-tips-1>

Most people agree that raising a child is not an easy task. We parents don't get issued a rulebook or guidelines which guarantee raising a happy well-balanced adult. Parents of young children almost always worry now and then about their parenting skills but if you are aware of what to expect from your 3-year old as far as development, milestones and normal behavior go, you'll both enjoy that journey to four.

3-year-old SURVIVAL TIPS

Choose your battles. Priorities will be safety issues like climbing or going near the stove. Supervision is essential to prevent injuries as your child isn't able to anticipate the consequences of his actions. At three, traffic is a huge concern for a parent. Encourage your child to take turns and share toys. When they cry because they are told they can't have another cookie, well that's something they will have to learn to get over. If these demanding personality traits are squelched entirely, a child may diminish themselves in order to please. However, if these qualities are monitored but encouraged, these seemingly unpleasant characteristics develop into admirable strengths like determination, assertiveness, and self-confidence later in life.

Provide new words to him in order to expand his vocabulary. He will spend most of his waking hours asking why? This can happen hundreds of times each day. This can be very challenging, so keep your answers simple.

THREE YEAR OLD DEVELOPMENTAL MILESTONES SOCIAL SKILLS

- no longer a toddler
- has become more independent
- less selfish than two and exhibits less aggressive behavior
- more aware of and sensitive to the feelings of others
- more responsive to other children and able to develop friendships
- capable of taking turns and sharing toys
- will begin to identify with his own sex and traditionally related activities
- more interested in structured games
- spends much of his time in fantasy activity and will have imaginary friends. This is actually a very creative way for your child to sample different activities behaviors and emotions
- sense of time has become clearer and he'll know his daily routine and will try to figure out the routines of others
- will have a capacity to understand his own place spatially amongst the family and is able to view you as a separate person
- wants to please you - - will be less dependent on you because his sense of identity is growing stronger
- will exhibit a feisty attitude on occasion and resist your requests



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The Bus Song

(Wheels on the Bus)

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The wheels on the bus go round and round
Round and round, round and round
The wheels on the bus go round and round
All through the town.
(Roll hands over each other)

The wipers on the bus go "Swish, swish, swish,
Swish, swish, swish, swish, swish, swish"
The wipers on the bus go "Swish, swish,
swish"
All through the town.
(Put arms together in front of you and 'swish'
like windshield wipers)

The door on the bus goes open and shut
Open and shut, open and shut
The door on the bus goes open and shut
All through the town.
(Close and open your arms)

The horn on the bus goes "Beep, beep, beep
Beep, beep, beep, beep, beep, beep"
The horn on the bus goes "Beep, beep, beep"
All through the town.
(Pretend to honk horn)

The gas on the bus goes "Glug, glug, glug
Glug, glug, glug, glug, glug, glug"
The gas on the bus goes "Glug, glug, glug"
All through the town.
(Pretend to fill tank using pointer finger as gas
nozzle)

The money on the bus goes "Clink, clink,
clink,
Clink, clink, clink, clink, clink, clink"
The money on the bus goes "Clink, clink,
clink"
All through the town.
(Pretend to put money in cash box on bus)

The baby on the bus says, "Wah, wah, wah!
Wah, wah, wah, wah, wah, wah!"
The baby on the bus says, "Wah, wah, wah!"
All through the town.
(Fisted hands in front of eyes and rub them like
baby crying)

The mommy on the bus say, "Shh, shh, shh,
Shh, shh, shh, shh, shh, shh"
The people on the bus say, "Shh, shh, shh"
All through the town.
(Put pointer finger to mouth to 'shhh')

The daddy on the bus says, "please sit down,
please sit down, please sit down "
The daddy on the bus says, " please sit down "
All through the town.
(pat spot beside you on the floor)

The driver on the bus says move on back
move on back, move on back
The driver on the bus says move on back
All through the town.
(take thumb and point behind you)

