



Crayons 2 Pencils Preschool

Month-February 2011

Class: Preschool Play-N-Learn

Mon/Wed 8:00 – 11:15

What to expect this month

Songs of the month: I'm a little snowman, Hey Hey Everybody, Chilly Day

Reminder: Show and tell every Wednesday – Your child may bring any item

Week # 23 February 7th -11th

Theme: Valentines **Letter of the week Pp**

This week is all about Valentine's Day. We will be making valentine boxes and decorating our room for our Valentine's Day party. On Monday we are going to make a valentines box using aluminum foil and different heart shapes. For our letter Pp, we will be making popcorn balls on Monday to eat at our Valentines party on Wednesday February 9th. We are going to pretend to be popcorn popping during our fitness time.



IMPORTANT:

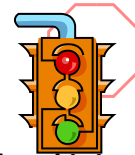


EACH CHILD NEEDS A SHOE BOX OR SOME TYPE OF TUB TO MAKE A VALENTINES BOX AT CLASS BY MONDAY.

Our Valentines Party is going to be Wednesday. I will attach a list of names to make valentines cards for. Please have your child bring valentines to school with them on Wednesday. You are also welcome to bring treats for class that day. Our party will be at 10:30 in the morning. You are welcome to join us at school at that time to watch the kids hand out their valentine cards to each other and have treats.

Week # 24 February 14th -18th

Theme: Red, Yellow Green GO **Letter of the week Qq**



There is no class on Monday February 14th due to Norwalk Schools being closed and it is a Holiday

This month we will be focusing on transportation. This week we will talk about the different ways we can get to where we want to go. We are also going to talk about a stop light. We will learn what each color means for a diver. We will be making a stop light with red, yellow and green paint. Our game of the week will be Red Light/ Green Light. If you are driving with your child ask them to help tell you when to go and stop at a stop light. We are also going to talk about the Letter Qq this week and next. We are going to make a quilt made out of paper in class.

Week # 25 February 21st -25th

Theme: Stop Sign **Letter of the week Qq**



There is no class February 23rd due to Norwalk Schools being closed for Conferences

We will talk about the street signs we may see when we are out. We will be talking about stop signs and why they are there. We will also talk about when it is ok to cross a street. We will practice this during class. I will make up a green circle and red circle and we will learn that before we cross a street we need a grown up first. Then we have to look both ways 2 times and if there are no cars it is safe to cross the street. We will practice this in class.



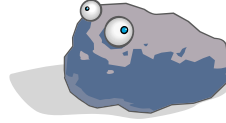
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Week # 26

February 28th – March 4th

Theme: Traffic and Transportation

Letter of the week Rr

This week is all about how we get around. We are going to discuss different ways to go somewhere. We are also going to use a rectangle, square and two circles to make a truck in craft time. We are going to look through magazines and glue a collage of different types of transportation. We are also going to talk about car safety. Our letter of the week is letter Rr. We are going to make a pet rock in class as well as a rainy day painting.

BEGINNING LETTER RECOGNITION

Below are some inexpensive ideas for surrounding your child with meaningful letter activities at home.

- Make letter books, using magazine pictures.
 - Have your child finger paint individual letters.
 - Give your child a box lid filled with a layer of salt, to write letters in.
 - Show your child how to make letters with a pipe cleaner or Chenille stem.
 - Have your child make letters with play dough.
 - Make letter pretzels.
 - Buy some letter stamps for your child to use.
 - Look for favorite letters in the newspaper.
 - Buy or make large cardboard letters to turn into letter puzzles.
 - Make straight letter with craft sticks, E, T, H, A, M, N.
 - Have your child look for the letters in her name on road signs.
 - Let your child play with magnet letters on a refrigerator or cookie sheet.
 - Write letters on a piece of paper in dots. Have your child draw from dot to dot to complete the letters.
 - Cut out pieces of sandpaper, for your child to trace with their finger and to also use for making letter rubbings
- <http://www.preschoolexpress.com/alphabet-station08/beginning-letter-recognition.shtml>



Monthly Reminders:



- Please bring a shoe box or similar to class with your child so we can make a valentines box. We will be making those Monday February 7th.
- Valentines party is Wednesday February 9th. Feel free to join us at 10:30 for our party. Check the attached list to see how many valentines card to bring for the class. You are welcome to bring treats for our party.
- No class on Monday February 14th
- No class Wednesday February 23rd

February Birthday Chart



No Birthdays this month



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Our February Songs

I'm a little snow person

Sung to: "I'm a little Teapot"

I'm a little snow person,
Short and fat
Here are my buttons,
here is my Hat.
When the snow comes out,
I cannot stay.
Slowly I just melt away



Chilly Day

Song for Teaching About the Weather

I had to wear my jacket when I went outside today,
I'll have to wear it at recess if I go outside to play.

Because it's chilly, it's chilly,
The air outside is chilly
It's chilly, it's chilly,
It's chilly out today.

It's fall and that is why the nice warm weather's gone away,
The temperature is lower and the cold is here to stay.

That's why it's chilly, it's chilly,
The air outside is chilly
It's chilly, it's chilly,
It's chilly out today.

So bundle up when you go outside and do not catch a cold,
Zip up your jacket nice and warm, well this is what I'm told.

Because it's chilly, it's chilly,
The air outside is chilly
It's chilly, it's chilly,
It's chilly out today.

Hey, Hey Everybody

Music with Mar.

**Hey hey everybody lift your arms
Hey hey everybody lift your arms
Hey hey everybody lift your arms
And smile a smile for me.**

**Hey hey everybody lift your arms.
Turn around
Hey hey everybody lift your arms.
Turn around
Hey hey everybody lift your arms.
Turn around
And smile a smile for me.**

**Hey hey everybody lift your arms.
Turn around, stamp your foot.
Hey hey everybody lift your arms.
Turn around, stamp your foot.
Hey hey everybody lift your arms.
Turn around, stamp your foot.
And smile a smile for me.**

**Hey hey everybody lift your arms.
Turn around, stamp your foot. Get
down stand up
Hey hey everybody lift your arms.
Turn around, stamp your foot. Get
down stand up
Hey hey everybody lift your arms.
Turn around, stamp your foot. Get
down stand up
And smile a smile for me.**

**Hey hey everybody lift your arms.
Turn around, stamp your foot.
Get down stand up, Make a silly sound
Hey hey everybody lift your arms.
Turn around, stamp your foot.
Get down stand up, Make a silly sound
Hey hey everybody lift your arms.
Turn around, stamp your foot.
And smile a smile for me.
Get down stand up, Make a silly
sound.
And smile a smile for me.**

