



Preschool Newsletter

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Important Dates

From the Director.....

Did you know that the quality time you spend with your preschoolers can influence their interest in learning math and science as they grow older? Young children are capable of learning such concepts as big and small, high and low, fast and slow, and heavy and light. Here are some ideas for what you can do to develop your preschooler's interest in math and science.

Go for a walk with your child...

Take time to stop along the way and watch things that children notice, such as flowers, animals, and bugs. Talk with your child about what you see, and ask about what he/she sees.

Draw pictures together... Draw a picture of what you have seen, whether it was on your walk together, on your front steps, in the backyard, or from your window. Ask your child to draw a plant, an animal, or a favorite place, and then ask her to tell you about the drawing.

Turn a drawing into a story...

Write down what your child says about the picture he just drew. Ask him to make up a story about the picture, and save it with other artwork and stories he has developed.

Listen to your child and ask questions about what she is seeing and doing... Children need to have time every day to tell another person about what they have seen or what they think. When you ask your child to tell you about a walk or a trip to the zoo, you are encouraging her to think and choose words.

Choose toys that help your child learn...

Young children learn about the world primarily by playing. Children need toys that encourage them to imagine and explore. Toys do not have to be expensive, but they should be simple, safe, and long-lasting.

Monitor TV watching... Turn off the TV and limit viewing. Too much TV viewing takes time away from other activities. Children who do things other than watch TV usually do usually do better in math and science in school.

Lorraine Ricchezza

Director, Early Childhood Programs

From The Teachers.....

This month the Rolling Rabbits and Fantastic Foxes will be focusing on families, what a family is and who's in our family as well as our favorite family activities.

For **Math** we will be working on indentifying numbers, making patterns and counting.

For **Language Arts** the children will be working with shapes and identifying the letters. We will also be learning and spelling our family names.

An activity that you can do with your children:

Ask your children to draw pictures of their families. Then count with each child the number of people in his or her family and write the corresponding numeral on the child's paper. Display the pictures on a wall and discuss them with your group. Help the children to understand that families come in all sizes.

Ms. Mullan & Ms. Adams



Resources.....

Camden Free Library:
418 Federal Street, Camden, New Jersey

Post-Partum & New Moms Support Group

One Cooper Plaza
856-968-7565

Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies:
2600 Mt. Ephraim Ave.
(856) 963-1013

Teacher Poem

Where Do The Children Grow

When you see a smiling face
Their happiness all over the place
Singing, laughing, cries of glee,
Come they say, Play with me
The slide, the swing, the monkey bars.
Look at them close to see who they are.
Lots of races, Ready, Set, Go
This is how the children grow.

If you watch them everyday
You'll see they learn as they play.
They'll do what they see, and say
what they hear.
You're their teacher though out the years.
Their ideas and thoughts in their eyes shine.
Imagination is a glimpse of their mind.
When you're not looking,
don't you know
This is when the children grow.

Watch them as they learn to walk
Listen to them when they talk.
Keep them safe, away from harm
Wrap them gently within your arms.
Teach them to share and how to take turns.
Set good examples from which they will learn.
At home, at school, wherever they go
This is where the children grow.

November 3rd.
Election Day
School Closed

November 10th
Lead Poisoning and
Hand washing Workshop
4:00pm - 5:00pm

November 17th.
Family Music Together Party
5:30pm - 6:30pm

November 20th.
Field Trip to Philadelphia
Museum of Art
9:30am - 1:30pm

November 23rd
Thanksgiving Day Luncheon
12:00pm - 1:00pm

November 24th. & 25th.
Parent Teacher Conferences
Early Dismissal 1:00pm

November 26th. & 27th.
Thanksgiving Recess
School Closed



Star Students of the Month

Zahiyah Bethea

Zahiyah is a very good listener. She enjoys being with her classmates and is always ready to help her friends and her teacher.

Taejon Roy

Taejon is very friendly and works well with his classmates. He enjoys books and story time and is always very eager to participate.

