

Teddy Bear News

October 19, 2014



Teddy Bear Parents,

The month of October is flying by. Since the last newsletter, the Teddies have done an amazing job with dealing with rainy days by extending our play inside. The children have been involved in early writing work at the Writing Table using stencils, stickers, and scissors. At the Manipulatives Table, the children connected, sorted and counted cubes and built towers and structures with small blocks. Many of the Teddies enjoyed and took pride in completing floor puzzles together. During our time inside, we also ventured into the playroom where there is wooden climber, a tunnel, mats to use for tumbling and rolling, and mini bean bags to toss and an assortment of scarves for movement and dance.

We have been practicing our Safety Drills including the fire and emergency drill. For the fire drill, we walked outside onto the grassy area on the hill; the emergency drill involved walking through the back of the basement to an isolated area away from windows. Your children did a fantastic job walking quietly to our meeting place!

In the next couple weeks, we will continue talking of fall and Halloween. We have already started painting a HUGE pumpkin and then turned it into a Jack-o-Lantern with decorations. The children painted ghosts with puffy paint (equal parts glue and shaving cream) and painted with pumpkins, acorns, and leaves stamps.



Enrichment Classes:

In Spanish class, we learned the names of colors and played a food game with an apple (manzana), banana (platano) and pumpkin (calabaza). In Music class, we got excited about the Cardinals and sang “Take Me Out to the Ballgame” while rolling a baseball across the circle as well as playing instruments to the same tune.

Coming up this month, Art with Suzy and Nature on the Move with Liz.

Reminders:

Halloween Celebration, October 29th. Please send children in regular clothes with their costumes in a bag. (No masks or face paint). Parents are welcome to come back for the celebration at 10:45. We will change into costumes and participate in the parade at 11:00. We have Halloween songs to share with parents and a special snack at the end of the morning.

Parent Teacher Conferences are Monday-Wednesday, before school and Thursday, October 30th and Friday, October 31st. No school on those two days and babysitting is available. Please sign up for a conference online with SignUpGenius.com. We look forward to talking with you!

Thank you,

Marbie and Chona

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