

Teddy Bear News December 13, 2015

Things have been humming in our Teddy Bear Class. We have been enjoying playing together, practicing skills together, and laughing and singing together. We caught our breath from Dad's Day and Thanksgiving, then put away our turkey books and got out the fall books for one last look at this great season. We sang our fall songs and enjoyed the amazing changeable weather when we were on the playground.

Big building has been going on in the block area. Big blocks, small blocks, and those in-between blocks, tablecloths, plates, food and utensils from the Housekeeping area, dolls and their strollers, stuffed animals and books are all parts of the great building and imagination of so many of the Teddies. As you can picture, clean up time is even more challenging.

Art is a special time for our children. So many friends come over to the Art Table that we often have to make up a wait list for the next space that opens up at the table. We did a marvelous co-operative project. We covered the Table with white paper and squirted green, white, and yellow finger paint on it. Oh, did we have fun. Some children stood and some sat. They put those little hands in the paint and smushed and swirled and made designs. This became our grass for the big children (which we made from the outline of children's bodies earlier in the school year) to "run" and "jump" on our bulletin board. The children enjoy looking at their work and seeing it as a part of the whole scene. Often you can hear one Teddy tell another, "I remember this. I think I did this part." We also experimented with a couple of new techniques in art. We used droppers to drop watercolors on a small paper and then used the droppers to swirl the paint and make designs... These became your bookmarks....Enjoy! The little artists water-colored large white pieces of paper. After the children had finished that, we gave them salt shakers to shake all over their paint. We had a big time wait list for this.

Hope you enjoyed the Teddies CD. They really put themselves into it! Have a wonderful break!!! Thank you for our Teddies.....we will miss them. Love you!







