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Mattie matching her picture with her sentence strip

Preschool Investigative Study: Beginning of the Year: All About Me in Preschool

Whether children are new to preschool or not, they will have many questions as they explore their classrooms. What names do we need to know at school? What should we do if we get sad or scared? What are our rules? When do things happen at school? Who works at our school? How do we make and keep friends? How can we be part of a group? We'll learn where all of our toys and materials are stored in our interest areas and how to take care of our classroom. We'll talk about all of the choices the children have and all of the activities they will enjoy.

And we'll ask, "What do we know about ourselves and what can we learn?" The children will investigate: What do we know about our bodies?

What do we know about our family?
What do we know about our senses?
Be sure we have your family pictures so that we can display them in the classroom!

We have chosen the following books for our investigative study: I am Not Going to School!, Mouse's First Day of School, On Mother's Lap, All Families are Special, Be My Neighbor, Butterfly Boy, Cleversticks, Families, The Family Book, and Friends at School.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- 8 Grandparents Visiting Day-see lobby
- 11 Museum Visit for details
- 12 Smokey the Bear Visit
- 15 Spanish Class with Ms. Mariela
- 20 Family Photo Share Day – all classes
- 21 Fall Stories in Library – all classes
- 28 Caring & Sharing Day Two's & Older Classes
- 29 Toddler and Young Two's Fall Walk



FITNESS FRIDAY

- 1 Kick Hard
- 8 Take a Walk Around the School
- 15 Cutting with Scissors
- 22 Stop & Go
- 29 Body Part Balance

OUR SPECIALS

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Math Lesson	Computer Class Literacy Lesson	Music Class Tippi Toes Class	Spanish Class	Math Lesson



Jackson showing his friends pictures of his family

INFANTS & TODDLERS

Young children learn through their interactions with the world around them. This month, our children will begin learning about themselves and their families. They will begin to see that no one is exactly the same. We'll learn about the parts of the body and gender, celebrate birthdays (including pets), and learn names of family members. ***Be sure we have your family pictures so that we can display them in the classroom!***

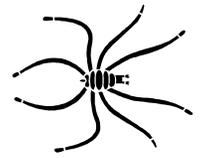
Be on the lookout for foot print collages, washing plastic babies, puppet shows with family member puppets and recording children's voices on the tape recorder. Our dramatic play areas will be stocked with culturally diverse dolls, clothes, shoes, and hats for some interesting play as we learn "All About Me!"



Music Class

We will be focusing on "All About Me" with songs and fingerplays that celebrate the uniqueness of every child. Listen out for new songs

like "A Very Special Friend" and "See My Family".



NC Museum of Natural Science

This month the museum presents, ***The Bugliest Bug***. So...what is a bug? It really depends on whom you ask. This month we will meet a group of animals called arthropods. Most people would consider these bugs! The children will meet a variety of "bugs" and learn some interesting facts about each one.

Spanish Class

Hola! Como estas? This month we will be learning simple phrases such as:

Como te llamas? – What's your name?

Muy Bien! – Very good!

Adios Amigo! – Goodbye, friend!



FOCUS ON LITERACY

Making Friends

Book of the Month

"Who better to teach children about making friends than the friendliest neighbor of them all, Mr. Rogers! In his gently written picture book, children will see firsthand how much fun making new friends can be. Loaded with real pictures of friends having fun together, this will help any early reader get excited about meeting new people."



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Britt	Rosie	Connor	Knox	Myles
Amelia	Owen	Jackson	Alex	Ben
Lucas	Hailey	Reagan	Liam	Cole