

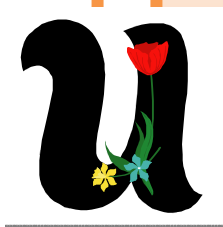
Letters of the Month:

Y/y - Yellow, Yank, Yard

C/c - Clean, Cavity, Care

U/u - Us, Up, Under

Z/z - Zebra, Zipper, Zero



WOW... We Can't Wait to Explore!

Math: Working on patterns, counting, sorting and grouping, exploring the concept of big vs. small, practicing to match items and even looking at the concept of measurement are all objectives that we are planning on working on during the month of February. Measuring to see what is long and what is short, extending and creating patterns with many different objects, counting to see how many objects are in a group are just a few math activities that we can't wait to do!

Science: In the science area, we will be using flashlights and hopefully getting outside to "find our shadows", using our listening ears to identify different sounds, to explore cause and effect when mixing colors together, using just our sense of touch to find out what is inside our feely box, touching and feeling new textures with our hands and fingers and of course, checking all the new things inside our sensory table.

Literacy: Literacy is everywhere around our classroom...we can't get enough of it! We will be sharing our thoughts with our friends and then writing them on paper. Next, we will draw a picture to go along with our words...we do these literacy activities at least twice a week, maybe more! We are anxious to have class discussions on certain topics such as "our teeth" and "words that rhyme"...there is a lot in store for us...hooray!

Art: Some of our art activities will include drawing straight and curvy lines, creating a picture with a toothbrush and various paints, using sponges and stamps as a painting tool, writing "letters" and "notes" to our friends during the week of Valentine's Day, practicing to cut out our own cookies with scissors, exploring real syrup and trying to paint with it, practicing our tearing skills to create torn paper hats during our Dr. Seuss week and creating classroom murals together...if you haven't noticed, the art center is our FAVORITE CENTER and we love creating masterpieces each and everyday!

Let us Hear Your Voice...

Friends, Friends, 1,2,3
"Friends, friends, 1,2,3,
All my friends are here with me,
___ is my friend, ___ is my friend,
___ is my friend and ___ is my friend,
Friends, friends, 1,2,3, all my friends are here with me!"

The More We Get Together
"The more we get together, together, together,
The more we get together, the happier we'll be,
Because my friends are your friends and
Your friends are my friends,
The more we get together, the happier we'll be!"



Teacher Fun Facts:

- * Ms. Jennifer, her husband and Ms. Jennifer's parents JUST took down their Christmas decorations last weekend! YIKES!
- * Ms. Ursula is very organized, LOVES to be in the art center with the Zebras and loves reading stories during circle times!

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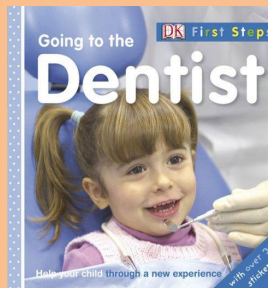
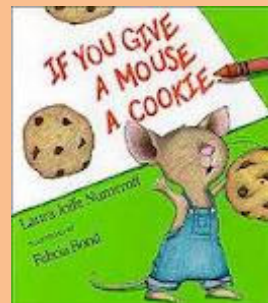


To:

If You Give a Mouse a Cookie
By: Laure Numeroff

I think Laura Numeroff is a great author and she writes wonderful stories. In this story, it starts off with a boy eating cookies and sees a mouse, who he then offers to share. This mouse will need a glass of milk. Having cookies and milk turns into cutting with scissors, getting a haircut, using a broom to sweep and more! Finally, at the end of the story, the mouse asks for a glass of milk and of course, he'll need a cookie too! This story is perfect for the threes...we use repetition ALL the time and that is exactly what this story does.

Ms. Jennifer



Going to the Dentist
By: DK Publishing

I think the children will really enjoy this story and this is a great way for us to prepare kids to go to the dentist for the first time. This story does a great job of showing images of the people who work at the dentist office interacting with children and showing... "it's ok". It's also a good story to show that it's not so scary and it's good for their health to have a trip to the dentist.

Ms. Ursula

Teacher Pick's

The Zebras Zip

February brings love, a music show and a pajama day!

We are hoping that the year of 2012 brings us a new classroom camera. If there are families interested in donating towards this purchase for helping hands points, please let us know! We have collected about 60.00 towards this purchase so far...please help us if you can!

The month of February is going to be filled with lots of love, love, love! We love our Zebras and we can't wait for the week of Valentine's Day to write each other notes and letters AND celebrate with a classroom party! We are also looking forward to seeing the Battersby Duo perform a show and coming to school in pajamas for a fun pajama day!

Have you met our newest Zebra friends? We have welcomed Gloria Gaskins into our class...we are super excited she is now with us. We are also getting to know Oliver, Aspen, Teddy and Lauriston from the Monkeys classroom...they are soon to move up to our class... We can't wait!

February Birthday's



We are looking forward to the month of April when some of our Zebras are celebrating a birthday!

What's Going on This Month:

- * Prevention of Blindness Vision Screening on February 2nd
- * The Battersby Duo on 2/8/12 at 3:30
- * Valentine's Day Party on 2/14 at 3pm
- * 2/20 Center Closed for Inservice Day
- * 2/28 Pajama Day!

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