

The Tools of the Mind Connection

A newsletter connecting home and school environments

Green Room
April 2018

WHAT AM I READING?

How do Dinosaurs go to school?

Friends at School

Busy Body Book

Dino Soccer

Vegetable Soup

We have changed our classroom theme to School, complete with a Classroom, Clinic, Gym, Cafeteria, Library and an Art room. The children will be playing new roles such as Nurse, Teacher, Student, Coach, Librarian and Principal. We will be learning lots of new vocabulary and great skills for staying safe and healthy!

Our class reading time is called "Story Lab". During this time the teacher reads to the class and has various cards up to help the children focus their attention on a particular question. The purpose is to develop their ability to remember on purpose, use various listening/comprehension strategies and practice discussing a topic/question with their peers.

You can help strengthen these skills too! After reading a story ask your child questions like, "What was your favorite part?" "What was interesting in the story?" or "What did you like about the story?"

WHAT AM I DOING IN PLAY?

Theme: School
Roles I can be: Student, Teacher, Nurse, Librarian, Principal, Art teacher and Coach



What's happening in my centers: Taking temperatures, Eating lunch, Checking out books, working out and learning about team play.

I am practicing my reading/writing and math by:

Counting the timeline calendar, Graphing the Weather, using the sound map and writing out play plans.

FINGER PLAYS I KNOW

Head, shoulders, knees and toes

Pocket full of B's

The ABC Song

Wheels on the Bus

Number Freeze

Days of the Week

EXTENSIONS AT HOME:

- Create a picture story about going to the doctors office
- Go to the Library and check out a book
- Read a book from the booklist, read your play plan and /or Teach someone a finger play.



Upcoming Dates: April 6th. Friday Visit from the Librarian
April 16th. Monday - School for the children
April 18th. P.M. class has a Fire Drill