

October 2020 News

Curriculum Corner

During the month of October, our students will be working on name recognition and learning the letters in their name. In class, we will be using magnetic letters and cookie trays. We will, also, use large name plates and Letter Link symbols to play matching games. You can help to build upon this skill at home, by using the name puzzles that were sent home on 9/23 or 9/24. Another way we will be practicing names is by singing and calling the letters of each student's name. At home, you can post your child's name card by their bed, door or refrigerator and sing or call out letters in their name as they pass it. We will address KDI's B7, B12, D25, and D26.

Helping Your Child Build Independence

During the preschool years children start to develop the ability to carry out self-help skills independently. Families are instrumental in teaching children the skills needed for eating, dressing, toileting and bathing. Benefits of involving children in self-care activities include improved sensorimotor skills such as strength, endurance, flexibility, and coordination. Cognitive skills, such as, sequencing, memory and concept formation are, also, enhanced through self-care. Children develop a sense of accomplishment and pride as they develop the ability to care for themselves. (KDI's C16, C17, C19 and C20)

Ideas for encouraging independence:

- Encourage your child to do as much of a skill as possible.
- You do one step, your child does the next (parent does every other snap).
- Practice skills on dolls, toys, or when you are not in a hurry.
- Start getting ready early, it will take your child longer when they are beginning a skill.
- Assign your child a household chore, such as, setting the table with one item, watering a plant, or feeding a pet.
- Be positive and make it fun!



Important Business:

*Please make sure to turn in your child's Green Health Form and any other paperwork as soon as possible.

Remote Learning

Please make sure to sign up for the remote app. Seesaw. We are using this for days and times that your child is not in class. Our teacher's will be making short videos to help support families when working with their child at home. Many of the videos are directed to the adults and show step by step ways to teach at home. You and your child will get the experience of learning from different teachers at our school!

Please send an extra sweatshirt or a zip style sweatshirt for your child to school. Our classrooms, hallways, bathrooms and gym change temperatures throughout the day. It will be helpful to have one ready to go in their locker.