

Preschool Two Group

February 5-16, 2018

Theme: Friendship/Valentine's Day



Cognitive Development: We will talk about:

- Valentine's Day and how we show someone we love or care about them.
- why hearts are special and how we take care of our hearts.
- what friendship means and how to be a good friend.
- kind vs. hurting words we might use with our friends and we will write the children's answers on chart paper.
- focus on the sounds of the letters Ee, Ff, Gg and Hh.

Art/Fine Motor Skills: Each child will:

- add a painted handprint to a heart shaped cutout for the Greenhouse Friendship Quilt.
- make a valentine for a friend in Preschool One and for his/her family.
- As a group, we will decorate a large mailbox to put valentines in and we will make large Valentine hearts to give to all the rooms.

Fine Motor Skills:

- The children will practice cutting with scissors.

Valentine's Day Special Snack:

- We will gather with Preschool One and read The Little Mouse, the Red Ripe Strawberry and the Big Hungry Bear by Don & Audrey Wood, then enjoy a special snack of heart shaped toast, strawberry cream cheese and strawberries.

Language Development:

Books:

- Valentine's Day by Anne Rockwell, Froggy's First Kiss by Jonathan London, The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein, Don't Need Friends by Sally Grindley and Dinofours - I'm Not Your Friend by Steve Metzger

Music/Movement:

- To get our hearts pumping, we will move along with "Chicken Fat" and "Bounce Your Knees"

Science/Discovery:

- The children can explore a variety of prisms to discover what happens.

Cooking:

- Each child will make their own pizza for lunch on National Pizza Day, February 9th. We will serve it with fruit and a drink.
- The children will help make heart-shaped sugar cookies for snack.

Special Events:

- February 12th & 14th - Matt the Music Man will be here to perform for the children at 11am.
- February 12th, 13th and 14th - Valentine's Day Balloon Sale
- February 14th - Pizza Lunch, for \$3.50 your child can have pizza, fruit and a drink for lunch, please stop in the office.