

The Tools of the Mind Connection

A newsletter connecting home and school environments

Green Room
May 2018

The children are really enjoying the School Theme! We are still pretending to be teachers, students, and coaches but are also looking at other essential roles within the school, like the cafeteria staff and of course the Librarian.

WHAT AM I READING?

Insert a book list that we have read, will be reading, or have in our classroom library

Rhyming is a fun way to practice phonemic awareness and understanding word families – both great pre-reading skills. Even on the way to school you can play a simple rhyming game. You start by saying one word – like “CAT” – and tell your child to say as many words they know that rhyme with cat. You can help out at first and then change to another rhyming “family” when you think you have got them all!!

How to Grow a Friend

The New Bear at School

Clifford's Field Day

Young Cam Jansen and the Missing Cookie

WHAT AM I DOING IN PLAY?

Theme: School

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



What's happening in my centers:

Reading Stories, Caring for the sick or injured students, Making hot or cold lunches, being on a team, Leading opening Group and lots of cutting

I am practicing my reading/writing and math by:

Librarian-reading to the students, Writing the Message of the Day, and playing math games

FINGER PLAYS I KNOW

5 green and speckled frogs sat on a speckled log

One Potato, Two Potato

Listen and Move

5 Little ducks

Draw a Rhyming Monster

Erase a Rhyme

EXTENSIONS AT HOME:

1. Read together
2. Cut out coupons
3. Make sack lunches and have a picnic



Upcoming Dates:

May 3rd. Librarian

May 7th. and 14th. Parent Teacher Conferences

May 10th. Sing Along/Move Along

May 22nd. and May 23rd. End of year classroom celebration

May 24th. Last Day of school for Students