

# Junior Journal

**Week 28**

**Theme: Zoo**

**February 20-24**

**Language Arts:** Welcome to the zoo! This week we will be exploring some of the mammals such as skunks, raccoons, primates, lions, tigers, and bears. (Oh My!) We are sure to bring these animals into the spotlight through various stories and fingerplays. Our riddle game will have the children thinking about which pictures have something to do with the zoo. The children will be challenged as they fill in the missing words of some favorite nursery rhymes. For music time, we will bring out the rhythm sticks.



**Craft and Writing:** Shaving cream and animals are on the agenda for the week. Our readiness papers will include printing practice and cutting practice. A simple maze paper will also be completed.

**Concept:** Mrs. Christine will find out which zoo animals the children are familiar with. For science, we will look at similarities and differences and talk about their appearance, what they eat and where they live. Toy animals will be added to the sand table. A game of "What's Missing" will be played where the children have to guess which animal is missing from a group of 5.



Registration is now open to the public! Have you secured your spot?



**Motor:** An old favorite "Duck, Duck, Goose" is on the agenda for this week. Ms. Cheryli will also take out the tumbling mat and give the children the opportunity to act like different animals. We get into the spirit as we dance around to our favorite CD, titled Animal Action. A fun crawling race will keep the children busy, along with kicking a ball at a tower of blocks.