

Junior Journal

Week 2

Aug. 21-25

Topic: Manners



Motor:

The teachers will introduce the ball and wand this week. The ball the wand is used to help the children focus on an object and follow it as it moves, strengthening eye-hand coordination. Little feet will be very busy during Motor class. The children will practice kicking a ball and learning the correct way to walk up and down stairs, using one foot on each stair. Crawling through a path and throwing a ball underhand into a basket will be fun.

***We are closed on Monday,
September 4th for Labor Day.***



Introductions: Aa and Bb

Vocabulary: alert – watch carefully;
quick to act or learn

blurt – to say suddenly or
without thinking

Manners: Try to share.
Use words, no hitting



Language Arts:

We will introduce the letters Aa and Bb and their phonetic sounds. We will reinforce them throughout the week using a flannel board story that corresponds with our song about the alphabet titled “A is for Amos”. The children will have a great time role playing with our Bee Polite and Bee Sad manners puppets. The students will learn a new song about the importance of being kind.

A Daily Dose of Kindness
(tune: Frere Jacques)

I can be kind, I can be kind.
So, can you, so can you.
We can help each other,
And share with one another.
Let's be kind, let's be kind.

Concept:

This week we will work on our counting and estimation skills using our estimation jar. We will also have the children compare and contrast a pencil/crayon and a ball/orange. For science, we will take a walk outside and collect nature items for our science table. The children will learn the proper way to use the shelf jobs this week. So, put your thinking caps on; it's time for concept!

Craft and Writing:

This week in the Junior room the children will focus on the letters Aa and Bb as they finger paint and mosaic. The teacher will demonstrate the proper way to hold and use scissors as the children try their skills cutting a straight line. Pencils will be used to trace our letters. A bumblebee craft is sure to create smiles this week. Bumblebee puppets are used in our classrooms to reinforce good manners.

