

Hello Parents,

October 2015

The frog class is off to a wonderful start this year! The children have been very busy learning new social and academic skills. They are working hard to adjust to our routine, take turns, stand in line, respect materials, and clean up after themselves. Additionally, each child is given a classroom job, which teaches both responsibility and a sense of community. Most importantly, each child seems to feel safe, happy, and excited to be at school! ☺



For our writer's workshop, we are currently studying books by Bill Martin, Jr. Feel free to check out his books at your local library. Our next author will be Lois Ehlert. Last, the teachers are listening to and observing the children in order to identify their interests for our upcoming project.

Thank you to those who contributed pictures and/or objects to our beach Discovery Table. The children truly enjoyed sharing and exploring! Our focus has now officially changed to "Trees", and we invite any contributions throughout the month of October (see attached sheet for ideas).

Here is a map of our day in the frog classroom:

- 9:00-9:20 Discovery time
- 9:25-9:35 Circle time/Story
- 9:40-10:10 Playground/Indoor Gym
- 10:15-10:30 Snacktime (and extra storytime)
- 10:35-11:10 Studio/Small Groups
- 11:15-11:25 Music
- 11:30 Dismissal

It is a pleasure and honor to work with your children. As teachers, we are amazed by how much they have learned already!

Sincerely,

Lisa Sasson and Kathy Lyons



Ideas for our “Trees” Discovery Table:

- Interesting leaves (beautiful, colorful, big, little, smooth, bumpy, differently shaped, full of holes, fresh, dried, pressed – anything your child finds interesting 😊)
- Flowers from trees
- Fruits from trees
- Twigs
- Acorns
- Bark
- Pinecones
- Seeds, pods, other things found in trees
- Pieces of moss
- Pictures of trees
- Pictures of your child in, or next to a tree
- Any other ideas you have!