



First Plymouth Learning Center

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Ladybugs:

Hello Ladybugs! Can you believe it is already February? Our theme for this month is construction and things that go. We will be doing lots of building in this unit and exploring with cars, trucks, airplanes and boats. Our book of the month is "Super Truck" by Stephen Savage. Our color of the month is pink and our shape is a heart in recognition of Valentine's Day. If you would like to bring in little Valentine's Day cards to share with your classmates please feel free to do so anytime before the 14th. There is a list of all the children's names in your classroom folder. Also, we will decorate bags for the children to put their cards and treats in. I'm looking forward to another great month!

- Ms. Miranda & Ms. Senait

From the Director...

It is hard to believe but it is time to register for next Fall! Registration is now open to the public on a first come, first serve basis. Our classes are filling up fast so don't risk losing your spot for next year. Turn in your registration form and payment as soon as you can. Since classes are filling quickly, we must receive payment for your child's spot to be held.

Summer Pals registration forms are also now being distributed. Please return the forms as soon as possible so I can begin to plan the classrooms. If you didn't get a form and need one, please see me.

Have a great month!

- Kiesha

Bunnies:

It's another busy month we have planned for the Bunnies. Our focus will be 'Things that go and Construction' with building and digging. We will be exploring different types of transportation and how they move. We will talk about building houses, tall buildings, bridges and do some digging in the sensory bin using our "tools" and special equipment. This month our color is pink and the shape is a heart. We will introduce the letters P, Q and R, learning sounds/words and connect them to build our vocabulary. We will also practice counting with our focus on number 8. It has been an exciting year already, watching each student grow as they gain confidence and knowledge through learning and playing!

- Ms. Gerri and Ms. Senait

Bumblebees:

January has found us working hard on our independent skills, such as putting on our coats, getting out snacks and lunches, cleaning up after ourselves and putting sheets on our beds for nap time. We've also learned about different types of animals and where we would find them. In February we will be learning about Construction and Things that Go. Our color and shapes that we will be learning about is the color pink, and our shape of the month, the heart. We will be reviewing all the letters and their sounds with a focus on V,X,Y and K. We will also be reviewing our numbers 0-30 but adding numbers 30-40. For Valentine's Day we will not be having a class party, but will do some sticker art with stickers, read some Valentine books. May you all have a wonderful February!

- Ms. Erika and Ms. Senait



Attention Parents!

Please remember to stop at all stop signs in the parking lot!

Also, check out the flyer for the Love and Logic parenting class offered here at the church!

Koalas:

Happy Valentine's Day!!! Space travel was so much fun in the koala class last month! This month our theme is Land Animals, our shape and color are heart and pink, our focus letters and numbers are V, H, A, and 0-50. For Valentine's Day we will make our own notes for our class mates so you don't have to bring in valentines from home unless you want to. Remember no candy; if you would like to bring in something special for the class please discuss it with me first so we stick to FPLC's policies. The Koalas have been making and manipulating numbers 1-10 with unit blocks and ten frames, counting by 1s, 2s, 5s, and 10s, patterns, opposites, greater than/less than, and color mixing. The koalas are working on the days of the week so when you wake up make sure to tell them what day it is, talk about the days using words like last night, yesterday, next Monday, tomorrow afternoon, Friday night, and talk about schedules and plans in terms of time of day and day of week. When you look at the clock or calendar talk to your koala about it, in class we've even begun counting the minute hand by 5s together to figure out the time. On a digital clock they'll soon realize that things happen around the same time every day, with practice will even be able to check the time for you and mark the days off on the calendar alone.

- Ms. Angela and Ms. Shelley

Brown Bears:

Happy February! Brown bears have been working super hard on letter sounds and recognition. Many of us have moved on to beginning and ending sounds of words, sounding out simple words, and adding a focus on sight words. Brown bears are amazing! Please be sure to pick up a class list and information for our Valentine party from the classroom. February themes will be based on books involving animals. Our numbers are 14, 15, 16, and 17. Letters are V, H, O, C. Colors red, white, and pink, and our shapes are hearts and hexagons. As always, thank you for allowing us the pleasure of working with your child.

- Ms. Kathy and Ms. Shelley

Penguins:

The Penguins have been working hard during Readers/Writers Workshop to write their own stories about dragons, dogs and cats. During "Express Yourself", they have used a variety of media to illustrate these stories. They have "published" all of these wonderful stories by hanging them in the hall outside of our classroom. Make sure you stop by to read a few! The Penguins are also working on their reading skills by building three and four letter words with letter tiles in pocket charts, recording them and then reading them to us. Stop by after lunch and you will hear the Penguins talking to each other about math as they create pictures with a variety of shapes, fill 20 frames with manipulatives and quiz each other, and build towers of 10 out of two different colors and then write the equations. The Penguins baked banana and applesauce muffins, as well as made waffles and even yummy grilled cheese sandwiches this month! We are gearing up for Valentine's Day by decorating boxes to hold all of our valentines, as well as decorating our classroom. In February, we will be delving into our unit on space, going deeper and gaining a greater understanding of many of these abstract concepts. We will be working hard to create our very own solar system and hang it in our classroom!

- Ms. Elizabeth and Ms. Shelley



Upcoming Dates to Remember:

*March 2-Teacher In-Service Day-
No School*

March 26-30-Spring Break

April 6-Discovery Night

*May 18-Last Day of School for
Students*

**Information regarding snow delays and closures can be seen on the local news channels or you can check the internet at the Cherry Creek District website: www.cherrycreekschools.org.

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