THE COMMUNICATOR

Parent Reminder

The center will be closed:

Thursday, Jan. 1st - New Year's Day

and

Monday, Jan. 19th - Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Day

'Tis the season for snow and ice.

Remember to follow the Federal Government closings for inclement weather.

We also post on local news stations (Fox 5) and (WUSA 9).

If we must close due to safety issues, we will email or text parents as soon as possible.

Infant/Toddler Lesson Plan

Finger play

>Identifying fine motor skills,

> 5 Little Monkeys

Cognitive Skills

>Find hidden objects (ex: ball in box)

>**Readiness skills**

>Look at pictures

Fine & gross motor skills

>Arts and Crafts– finger painting

Physical Development

>Activity center

>Playing with shapes

> Block building

Don't forget to read to your child.
It will help increase your child's vocabulary.

Tummy time

>Play mat with objects

Circle time

>ABC's song

>Numbers

>Colors with felt

>Fine motor skills

>Gross motor skills

>Viewing Large shapes Flash cards

Music with Motion

>"You Are My Sunshine"

> "Itsy Bitsy Spider"

Reading Readiness Skills

>"Wheels on the Bus"

Social/ Emotional Skills

>Facial expressions

>**Communication,** responding to baby with positivity and action words

>Make eye contact and communicating with the child.

Story time

>Puppet Show

Coordinating Movement

>Push walker/ Pull a toy behind

Lesson Plan: 2s and 3s

Letters: M, N, O

Numbers: 13, 14, 15

Exercise: Zumba

Colors: Blue, Orange, Black

Shape: Rectangle, Diamond, Circle

Song: "Frosty the Snowman"

Handwriting: First Name

Spanish: Parts of the Body

Music: Singing songs

Arts & Crafts: Painting

Sign Language: Play time gestures

Cognitive Skills: Days of the week

Movement: Dancing with scarves

Lesson Plan: 4s & 5s

Letters: Introducing beginning blend sounds

Practice: Chalk drawing "circle shape"

Exercise: Zumba

Handwriting: Numbers 1-40

Math: Sorting objects by colors

Song: "Frosty the Snowman"

Spanish: Parts of the Body

Music: Singing songs/ reciting poems

Arts & Crafts: Painting

Sign Language: Play time gestures

Cognitive Skills: Months of the Year

Movement: Dancing with scarves

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Elsa's Frozen Slime

Ingredients:

- 5 oz clear glue
- 1/2 cup water
- 1/2 tsp baking soda
- 1 tbsp saline solution
- Blue colorant (you can also use food coloring, paint or pigment)
- Teal/ Blue glitter

Other Mix-Ins to Add

- Blue sequins
- Faux snow (confetti)
- Beads
- Clear and Blue Beads
- 'Diamond' beads
- Snowflake charms

Instructions:

1. Combine glue and water in a medium size bowl.
2. Mix until glue breaks up and incorporates into the water.
3. Add a few drops of blue colorant, mixing and adding more drops until you achieve your desired shade of blue.
4. Add glitter and stir to mix well.
5. Add the remainder of your mix-ins (snow, beads, snowflakes, sequins, etc...) and stir to mix well.
6. Stir in baking soda.
7. Add saline solution and stir well to combine. Stir until the slime begins to form and pull away from the sides of the container.
8. Knead the slime. It will be very sticky at first but keep kneading and it will get less sticky.
9. and gently press the cookies out.

(If you would like to give these as a gift, you can wrap them individually in clear bags and add a festive ribbon)

Enjoy!

Homework Reminder

Please encourage your child in writing and pronouncing his or her name. This is a fantastic way to build and develop their reading and writing skills.

Helping to build a child's solid foundation will allow them to withstand all obstacles and teach them to soar!