

The Communicator

Parent Reminder:

The center will be CLOSED

Monday, September 7th (Labor Day)

Grandparent's Day is Sunday, September 13th



Our school year has officially begun!

Parents, get ready to see your child soar!

We ask that you assist us in educating your child by reviewing or practicing at home what your child is learning each day (Homework packet).

Thank you!

September 2026

Special points of interest:

- School Closing
- Infant/Toddler Lesson Plans
- Preschool Lesson Plans
- We're on the Web

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Infant/Toddler Lesson Plans

Finger play

>“Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star”

Cognitive Skills

>Objects in a box—Making friends

>Readiness skills

>Sing-Along Songs—Bingo

Fine & gross motor skills

>Fine motor skills—Pincer grasp— picking up finger foods

>Gross motor skills—Up Down, Up Down

Physical Development

>Activity center

>Playing with soft balls



Tummy Time

(physical development/coordinating movement)

>Reach and Scoot for objects

Circle Time

(cognitive development/exploring and discovering)

>ABC's song

>Numbers—Sesame Street

>Colors with felt

>Viewing Large Flash cards - Shapes

Music with Rhythm

> Dance to music

Singing “This Old Man...” with body movements

Singing “Where is Thumbkin” with hand gestures



Reading Readiness Skills

>“Wheels on the Bus” Physical contact

Social/ Emotional Skills

>Facial expressions

>Identifying feelings

Communication

>Responding to child with positivity

>Make eye contact and communicating with the child.

Arts and Crafts

>Self-portrait Water art

Story time

> Talking with Friends

Coordinating Movement

>Push walker/ Pull a toy behind

Outside Play

>Push toys/bouncy balls/slide/ Keys to friendship



Lesson Plan: 2s & 3s

Letters: A , B & C—I Spy, Letter Race

Numbers: 1, 2 & 3—Number Hunt

Exercise: Jumping Jacks

Colors: Red, blue & orange

Shapes: Heart, triangle, square—Shapes Hunt

Poem: Shaking Hands

Handwriting: Tracing First Name

Spanish: Colors

Song: “I Love You, You Love Me”

Music: Clapping Rhythms

Arts & Crafts: Circle Collages

Sign Language: Food

Language Development: Story time

Cognitive Skills: Days of the Week

Lesson Plan: 4s & 5s

Introduce: Letters Aa-Cc

Practice: Drawing “triangle, heart & square shape”

Exercise: Jumping Jacks

Handwriting: Aa-Cc

Math: Counting 1, 2 & 3—using manipulatives

Color: Red, blue & orange

Song: “Smile, Smile, Smile”

Poem: Shaking Hands

Spanish: Colors

Music: Musical Chairs

Arts & Crafts: Circle People

Sign Language: Food

Language Development: Aa– Cc

Cognitive Skills: Days of the Week

Outdoor activity: Hula Hoops



Sing Along

“Harvesting” Song

Your materials:

- Felt set, or pictures of; one bushel basket, one scarecrow, three apples and two pumpkins.
- A flannel board

Instructions:

Sung to “The Farmer in the Dell.” Begin with the bushel basket on one side of the flannel board and the food items below the scarecrow on the other side. Move each food item to the bushel basket as you sing about it. Provide time for the child to play freely with the felt pieces.

Lyrics:

A-harvesting we’ll go, a-harvesting we’ll go.

We’ll pick the (apples) and take them home. (Move apples to bushel basket; remove both)
A-harvesting we’ll go.

A-harvesting we’ll go, a-harvesting we’ll go.

We’ll thank the scarecrow for his time,

And then it’s home to dine.



Movers & Shakers

“Harvest Hunt”

Your materials:

- Sturdy vegetables
 - A wagon

Instructions:

Have your little harvesters search for their fall crop. Hide several small pumpkins, apples, gourds, corn, or squash in your outside play area. Set out a wagon and invite the children to help each other search for the items. When they find them, they can place them in the wagon. How many vegetables did the group harvest? If you have snow in your area this time of year, bundle up for your search. Provide shovels to scoop the vegetables out of the snow and a sled instead of a wagon for gathering them.

Adaption:

Hide smaller harvest in plain sight and at a close reach so young children can successfully participate in the activity too.



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RECIPE
of the
MONTH

Birthday Cake Milkshake

Ingredients:

- **1/4 cup candy coated chocolates**
(M&M's are recommended)
- **1 tablespoon from white cake mix box**
- **12 scoops vanilla ice cream (I used Tillamook)**
 - **1/4 cup 2% milk**
 - **hot fudge**
 - **Sprinkles**

Instructions:

1. Place chocolate chips in a small bowl.
In a small saucepan, bring heavy whipping cream just to a boil. Pour over chocolate; stir with a whisk until smooth. Cool to room temperature or until mixture reaches a spreading consistency, about 10 minutes.
2. Spread chocolate mixture over half of the graham crackers. Spread marshmallow creme over remaining graham crackers; place over chocolate-covered crackers, pressing to adhere.
3. Add chocolates, cake mix, ice cream and milk to a blender. Pulse until

candy coated chocolates are well broken up.

4. Pour hot fudge into a shallow dish and do the same with the sprinkles. Dip the rim of the cup into the hot fudge and then directly into the sprinkles.
5. Using a spoon drop the milkshake into the glass or pour it in.
6. Serve immediately or store in freezer to harden.

