



The Penguins/Ha Pegveneem

Week of August 22 – August 26, 2011

We had a great first week of school in the newly named Penguin class. On Monday we introduced the children to our daily routine. The first thing we do every morning is meet and greet. During this time the children sign in on our green sheets, we use these sheets for the children to let you know about their day. We also had our first circle time of the new school year. During morning circle we go over our daily schedule and go over our class calendar. On Monday we went over our new jobs schedule for the new school Year. This week every one had a chance to do different jobs next week we will start with weekly jobs for all. We also do the weather during morning circle time. Everyone will have a chance to be the meteorologist. The children learned that this is the word for a weather person. Thank you everyone for sending in supplies. I would also like to remind everyone to please label lunch boxes and snacks clearly. Thank you so much in advance.

Math-

The penguins voted for our class name. We counted and graphed our results. We choose between Penguins, Dogs, Butterfly's, Roosters, and Alligators. Penguins won with a vote of 6 which we learned is almost $\frac{1}{2}$ our class. Every day we use the calendar to go over the date which also helps us to count the days.

Literacy-

We read many books this week including Plenty of Penguins where we learned of different Penguins and the different places they live. We learned they even have penguins in Africa and Peru. We also read, "Over in the Meadow" which featured beautiful illustrations from Ezra Jack Keats.

The children sign in everyday which allows them to practice their handwriting.

During calendar time we ask the children daily what day of the week, month and what the day before and after are.

Science-

We did weather predictions on Monday the children loved this. Bailee said it was going to be sunny and warm. Kaci, Sarah, Matty & Brandon said it was going to rain. (They were right). Sadie, Joey and Dylan all said there was going to be sun showers. Emma said it was going to be cloudy. Sara said it was going to snow. So on Tuesday we made it snow for the children they loved this!

Fine Motor-

The children began using their journals this week. In this book they can color, write and express themselves. We also worked on our Shabbat place mats using dot markers and paint roller balls. Every day we practice writing our names and work in the art center.

Gross Motor-

Dancing to My Sharona in the class room. We dance a lot but this song was an instant favorite.

Running, climbing and having a great time on the playground.

Judaic-

We do lots of Hebrew in our room. We are starting to learn colors, numbers, and everyday words in Hebrew.

We worked on Shabbat placemats and Kippots.

Tzedakah envelopes

We also started learning about creation.

Next week we will learn about Havdalah and more about creation.

Shabbat Shalom

Morah Sharona and Morah Rachel.