



**The Butterflies/Ha Parpareem
Week of December 5 - 9, 2011**

Math:

Every day for attendance, we create a mathematical equation counting the number of boys to the number of girls in our class. We continue our most popular math activity, the estimation jar, where the children guess how many items are in the jar and later count to see who had the closest answer. During transition, the children played games on the white board using shapes, letters and numbers. In addition to all of that, we are still keeping up with our 100 days of school chart.

Literacy:

The children recognize words on the schedule and days of the week. They also know upper and lowercase letters in our matching game. The children are also becoming familiar with color words. This week we had a discussion on what the children already know about Hanukkah, we then made a literacy chart. We also talked about stranger danger and what to do in case of an emergency.

Science:

We are observing the weather and changes in temperature. The children are becoming more aware of the changes happening during this time of year. Since Hanukkah is approaching, we made an edible treat, a hanukkiyah. It was delicious!

Gross Motor:

We got silly with Cantor Zack and we also got to play tennis with Miss Alisa. On the playground, the children are riding tricycles, running, jumping, playing with balls and climbing the rock wall.

Fine Motor:

The children traced, and then cut out their dreidel, which then they got to decorate. They are beautiful decorations for Hanukkah.

Social/Self Help:

Upon entering the classroom, the children sign their names. They are learning to also write Mom and Dad on the green forms. The children unpack their backpacks. They are learning to treat their friends with respect, the same way they would want to be treated. The children are learning not to interrupt the person who is speaking. They are also taking turns and listening to their classmates and teachers. The children pour their own drinks, pass out cups and napkins.

Judaic:

The children are learning the names of the colors in Hebrew. On Monday we had Havdalah to end the week and start a new one. We sing Hatikvah every morning and recite the blessing before and after every meal.

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