



**The Polar Bear and Tiger Classes Newsletter  
September 12<sup>th</sup>-September 16, 2011  
Monday-Friday**

The Polar Bear and Tiger Class have been very busy this week.

On Monday morning we went to the school-wide Havdalah service in the indoor playroom.



Brooks holding the Kiddush cup.

We also went to music with Miss Beth.



Esther playing the drums.

Noah playing the maracas.

We started to learn about the holiday of Rosh Hashanah this week. The children are learning that Rosh Hashanah is the Jewish New Year and the birthday of the world. We are learning that you eat apples dipped in honey, which is a symbol for our wish for a sweet New Year. We also have learned that the challah that we eat on Rosh Hashanah is round and can have raisins in it as well. We have also learned that a ram's horn is blown on Rosh Hashanah and that it is called a shofar. There are four different types of shofar notes: tekiah, shevarim, teruah and tekiah gedolah.

We used our math skills to measure the length of the children using apples.



On Tuesday, we used our fine motor skills to draw pictures of what presents we would like to give the world for its birthday. We are in the process of having the book laminated; when we get it back we will send it home with a different child every night so you can read it.



Taylor using her fine motor skills to do a Rosh Hashanah puzzle.

We went to Judaic music with Cantor Zack. We are singing Shabbat and Rosh Hashanah songs.



We had a very busy day on Wednesday. We went to gym with Miss Alisa for the first time. We used our gross motor skills to do the alligator and airplane yoga position and to hit a ball with a pillow polo stick.



Esther doing the airplane yoga position.



Celeste using the pillow polo stick.

We also used our math skills to sort apples by color. We have three different color apples in the class.



Emmalyn sorting her apples than red and yellow.



Brooks pointing out that there green apple.

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We also used our fine motor skills to paint Rosh Hashanah cards.



Emma painting her New Year's card for her Ima and Abba.

On Thursday, we are going to make an apple pie. We will also go to music with Miss Beth.

On Friday, we will celebrate Shabbat. We will have a special treat as Myles Young will be coming to Shabbat to blow the Shofar for us. Thank you to Celeste and Esther for providing the Shabbat snack today.

Shabbat Shalom!!!

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