



The Dogs / Ha Klaveem
Week of September 12-September 16, 2011

Math-

Every day we had a calendar count, and for attendance we counted how many boys and girls were in the class. "Estimation Jar" is one of our absolute favorite activities of all. Every child has the chance to guesstimate how many items are in the jar. The numbers go from 1 to 100; the child that gets the closest guess is the "estimation jar champion of the day". During transition the children played games on the white board using positional words.

Literacy:

We read books about dogs, apples and Rosh Hashanah. During circle time we shared with our friends facts about apples. We are practicing our lines for the special presentation for our younger friends in Torah Tots on September 27th. We are trying to incorporate new words and meanings into our everyday conversations to expand children's vocabulary.

Science:

Children at this age are curious about the different kinds of weather such as rain, thunderstorms, hurricanes and other conditions that are present during the different seasons. We are observing the weather and changes in temperature every day.

Gross Motor-

At the playground, there is a lot of action taking place. It is in the outdoors that children can fully and freely experience motor skills like running, leaping, climbing, grasping and jumping.

Fine Motor:

Every time children play in centers with manipulatives (small toys), crayons, markers and art supplies they are reinforcing their fine motor skills using writing tools correctly and demonstrating eye/hand coordination.

This week we started to work on our apple books, finger painting apple trees.

Social/Self Help:

Children are practicing making decisions voting for their favorite apple flavor and guessing how many items are in the estimation jar. Every time we have a group activity we are practicing following the classroom rules and participating attentively in activities.

Judaic:

We ended our week celebrating Shabbat. This week Cantor Zack taught us new songs in Hebrew for the upcoming holiday, Rosh Hashanah!

We sang Hatikvah every morning at Shalom Time and recited the blessings before and after every meal.

- Please send your child in with a labeled snack every day. This coming week we are asking you to send in snacks made out of apples. It will be a great opportunity to compare and discuss how many things actually include apples.
- Do not forget to recycle all your empty ink cartridges and old cell phones. We will collect them for our Funding Factory fundraiser.

Thank you to our Ma' alacheem David P. and Sophie for bringing in snacks.

Shabbat Shalom!
Ms. Debbie & Ms. Carolina