



**The Butterflies/Ha Papareem
Week of September 12 – September 16, 2011**

Math:

Every day we create a mathematical equation counting the number of boys to the number of girls in our class. As always, we count our estimation jar, where the children guess how many items are in the jar and later counted to see who had the closest answer. During transition, children played games like patterns and solving simple addition problems. They voted on which color paint to use for their feet. The children also write down numbers for our 100 days of school chart.

Literacy:

We read books such as: "My Jewish Days Of The Week," and "If You Give A Cat A Cupcake." We have been discussing facts about ourselves to help us complete our "All About Me" book. We matched capital and lowercase letters on our board. We also made a literacy chart on what hands and feet are used for.

Science:

Ethan was our meteorologist for the week. He had the opportunity to go our "window" and move the arrow to show what kind of weather we decided upon.

Gross Motor:

The children continue to use the blocks to make their own original structures. They also continue to use the riding vehicles to strengthen leg muscles. On the playground the children play soccer and they also get to climb the rock wall.

Fine Motor:

The children are getting more skillful in maintaining an effective and proper pencil grip. Every day they wrote down their names on their sign in sheets and practiced in activities like the "All About Me" book and literacy charts. These exercises promote the most functional use of a child's hands.

Social/Self Help:

Upon entering the classroom, the children sign their names, and unpack their backpacks. The children are learning to let one person answer or speak at a time. The children are learning not to interrupt the person who is speaking. They are getting adjusted to the routine and schedule very well.

Judaic:

The children are learning the names of the colors in Hebrew. We say the blessing before snack and lunch. We also say the blessing for after lunch. We sing Hatikvah every day. We went to the Wasley Chapel on Friday for Shabbat.

Thank you Ma'alachim for our delicious snacks!

Reminders:

Please label all morning and afternoon snacks, kosher only please.

Morah Esta

Morah Myra