



Week of October 10th – October 12th, 2011
The Monkeys/Ha' Koofeem

G_d is here and G_d is there
and G_d is truly everywhere,
up, up, down, down, right, left
all around, here, there, everywhere!
That's where G_d can be found.

Math:

We talked about the lulav and etrog. We learned that the lulav has three branches and that an etrog is yellow like a lemon.

We continue counting boys and girls and adding them up for the total of children. We did this by using different colored people connectors to separate the boys from the girls.

We continue counting how many centers are in the classroom and how many children are allowed in each center (4 in housekeeping, 4 in library, 3 in blocks, 2 in art and sand table, 4 in manipulative and 4 in writing).

We practiced the days of the week and counting using "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" flannel board.

We practiced our colors using "Brown Bear" book and flannel board.

We practiced our colors with "Little Mouse, Little Mouse Where are you Hiding?"

Lanugage/Literacy:

We continue talking about Sukkot and concentrated on the symbols of Sukkot (lulav and etrog). We learned that the lulav is made up of three different branches and that the etrog looks like a lemon. We also learned that we hold the lulav in the right hand and the etrog in the left and we shake them all around to represent that G-d is everywhere.

We also discussed what materials we can use to build a Sukkah, some of our friends said blocks and decided to build a Sukkah with the waffle blocks on the playground.

We read "Sukkah Time" and "Tamar's Sukkah"

Picture/Name association in centers and in cubbies. Children learn to associate objects with the pictures on shelves, it helps them clean up as

they learn that each toy has a place.

Every Friday we read "Dinosaur on Shabbat"

We continue taking attendance and practicing our "Ani Po" (I am here) and "Lo Po" (Not here) response.

We continue discussing classroom and playground rules.

Science/cooking:

Explored weather (we looked outside the door with our binoculars and discussed if it was sunny, rainy, cloudy etc)

We planted sunflower seeds. We put dirt in a cup, threw the seed in, patted it and then poured water in it to help it grow. We learned that a seed needs soil (dirt), water and sunlight to grow.

Talked about the symbols of Sukkot, lulav and etrog and discussed how the etrog is very similar to a lemon.

Gross Motor:

Music and movement with Morah Beth and Cantor Zach.

Shook the lulav all around.

Music and movement to "A Tootie Tat", "Chicken dance" and "We are the Dinosaurs"

Danced with scarves and bean bags.

Played and danced with the parachute.

Walked up and down the stairs to go to the library and on the playground to go on the slide.

Rode tricycles and cars in the playground.

Running, jumping, climbing on the rock wall, kicking and throwing balls.

Fine Motor:

We decorated our favorite fruit using crayons and markers and then hung it in the Sukkah.

We used crayons, color pencils and markers to draw during center time.

We painted at the easel.

Used different manipulative (pegs, people connectors, tower builders).

Coloring, gluing, cutting.

Social/Self-Help:

We continue working on having/giving personal space.

We continue working on using our nice words (please and thank you).

We began working on our sharing skills; we share our toys and play together.

Washed hands after potty, for snack and lunch and after entering the classroom.

We continue doing our helping hands jobs.

Take food out of lunch boxes.

Eat independently with a spoon/fork.

Throw garbage in the trash can.

Pushed chairs in, after sitting at the table.
Use please and thank you, be kind to our friends.

Specials this week were: Music with Morah Beth and Cantor Zach.

Shabbat Shalom
Morah Dalia and Morah Diane