



Week of October 17th – October 19th, 2011
The Monkeys
Ha' Koofeem

Dance with the Torah
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Math:

We talked about the shape of the flag of Israel (rectangle) and counted how many stripes (2) and stars (1) were on the flag. We discovered that the star is two triangles, one looking up and one looking down.

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 continue practicing our colors using "Brown Bear" book and flannel board.

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

Language/Literacy:

We began discussing Simchat Torah (the celebration of Torah). We learned that on Simchat Torah we begin reading the Torah again. We celebrate this by dancing with the Torah and waving Israeli flags. We also make candied apples to represent how sweet it is to learn the Torah.

We also learned that on Simchat Torah we put an apple atop the flag stick.

We learned blue (Kaḥol) and white (Levan) in Hebrew.

We read "Sammy Spider's First Simchat Torah"

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 watered our plants and took them home.
We made edible paint with corn syrup and food coloring.

Gross Motor:

Music and movement with Morah Beth and Cantor Zach.
We danced with the Torah in the chapel with Cantor Zach.
We exercised with Morah Alisa.
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 made Israeli flags using white paper, blue rectangles, a blue star and a "candied" apple.
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 and gym with Morah Alisa.

Shabbat Shalom
Morah Dalia and Morah Diane