



The Butterflies/Ha Parpareem Week of October 24-28, 2011

Math:

Every day for attendance, we create a mathematical equation counting the number of boys to the number of girls in our class. During transition, the children played games on the white board using shapes, letters and numbers. In addition to all of that, we are still keeping up with our 100 days of school chart.

Literacy:

We read books such as: "The Cow Who Clucked," "Crazy Hair Day," and "Big Babies." The children recognize words on the schedule and days of the week. They also know upper and lowercase letters in our matching game. The children are working on sounding out letters that go into a word.

Science:

We are observing the weather and changes in temperature. Michael 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 were finally able to enjoy the playground this week, where they freely explored their motor skills like bicycling, running, skipping and climbing.

Fine Motor:

Every time the children play in centers at manipulatives and art supplies, they are reinforcing their fine motor skills. The children are getting more skillful in maintaining an

effective and proper pencil grip and also are demonstrating hand/eye coordination. Every day they write down their names on their sign in sheets. For their Torah Project which was completed this week, the children got to choose what color they wanted to paint their very own scrolls. 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 also taking turns and listening to their classmates and teachers. They are getting adjusted to the routine and schedule very well.

Judaic:

The children are counting in Hebrew every day and are learning the names of the colors. On Monday we had Havdalah to end the week and start a new one. We sang Hatikvah every morning and recite the blessing before and after every meal.

Reminders:

If you have any stuffed animals that you would like to donate or a small rug, The Butterflies would greatly appreciate it.

Please send in any empty ink cartridges and old cell phones as we are part of the Funding Factory.

Please send in Campbell labels. We collect those and earn points.

Look for more information about the upcoming bookfair! Thursday, November 10th will be Pajama Night and Friday November 11th will be Grandparents Shabbat. The entire school will celebrate Shabbat in the main Sanctuary at 10:00 a.m.

Morah Esta & Morah Myra