



Miss Kathy's Newsletter

October 15th – 18th

Monday/Tuesday

- **Fine-Motor Activity:** Children will have time at the beginning of the day to manipulate “pumpkin spice” play dough, using play dough cookie cutters, scissors, rolling pins, etc.
- Introduce the letter “F” and “Finny the Fish”
- Children will go on a letter “F” hunt in the classroom.
- **Table Time Activity:** Children will paint in an “F” picture for their ABC Books.
- **Fine-Motor Activity:** Children will complete “Indian Corn” snipping activity.
- **Patterning Activity:** Children will assist in making an AB pattern on the white board with pom-poms.

Wednesday/Thursday

- **Fine-Motor Activity:** Children will have time at the beginning of the day to manipulate Lego connectors, animal matching puzzles, bristle blocks, and suction cup builders.
- Introduce “Trixie Triangle”
- Children will go on a triangle hunt in the classroom.
- **Table Time Activity #1:** Children will make “Trixie Triangle” stick puppets.
- **Table Time Activity #2:** Children will make a fish using only triangles.
- **Sensory Table:** The sensory table will be filled with popcorn kernels and Halloween items this month.
- **Sport Team Day** – Wear your favorite sport team’s jersey to school today!

Volunteering Opportunities in the Classroom

If you are interested in volunteering in our classroom, I have put up the volunteer calendar on the cork board right outside my door. You can sign your name in any of the highlighted squares. I would like to limit the volunteers to one parent per day. If you are not able to come in to sign up, you can email me a day that you are interested in helping out. The children love having parent helpers, and I am looking forward to the extra help!

Storytime Books for the Week:

- “Rainbow Fish to the Rescue” by Marcus Pfister – In this story, Rainbow Fish remembered what it felt like to have no friends and decided to help the little striped fish when a shark shot like an arrow into the middle of the school of fish.
- “Rainbow Fish and the Big Blue Whale” by Marcus Pfister – In this story, Rainbow Fish decides he has to make peace with a Big Blue Whale.
- “Franklin’s Bad Day” by Paulette Bourgeois – In this story, Franklin is having a bad day. He picks at his food and doesn’t want to play with his friends. He eventually goes outside skating with his friends but the ice is too thin to skate on. He loses his temper. His family realizes he is upset because his friend moved away, and they suggest that they stay friends by writing letters to each other.
- “Franklin in the Dark” by Paulette Bourgeois – In this story, we find out that Franklin is afraid of crawling into his small, dark shell. He asks all of his friends for help, but eventually finds out that they are all afraid of something. That night he crawls into his shell to sleep and turns on his night light.