

The Preschool Post

Colors and Conferences!



Bode, Brody, Molliem and Mrs. Davern (of our party volunteers) decorate their bags with stickers during our Halloween party last Monday.

As we begin a shortened week here at Preschool, we plan on finishing out our two-week colors unit with a flourish! I can't say I've ever used the word "flourish" before, but what better time than now as we cover the letter "F" on Monday (see blurb below on why we use the letter sequence we do)! The class will first (f)inger paint some (f)ish before completing a letter "F" activity on the computers. On Tuesday we will take advantage of the (reported) great weather and go outside to find a giant white sheet hanging on a line. The students will take turns verbally requesting particular colors of colored water to squirt on the sheet to make our new class tablecloth. We will also bring out our light table to discover how different colored slides can create a new color when they are overlapped. Finally on Wednesday we will continue our decimation of anything clean and white by coloring with markers on coffee filters and then dripping water on them to discover how colors blend. We will close it all out by drawing connecting lines from a color to the corresponding color word on the Smart Board. That will close out the week for the students, but I look forward to meeting those parents who scheduled conferences on Thursday and Friday. Let's have a great week!

Letter Sequencing

Has Mr. Smith lost his mind? Letter "B" two weeks ago, and now letter "F"? What kind of order is this? Actually, this sequence of letters is based on the Foundations phonological/phonemic awareness, phonics and spelling program. While this system isn't tailored for Preschool, it is the same program used in Rocky River's Kindergarten classrooms, and we preferred to stay consistent and expose your children to a format they will learn more intensely when they reach their next level of schooling. We are loosely following Foundations sequencing (We should be doing "T", but we'll save that for "turkeys" in a couple of weeks), but our main goal is to expose your children to these letters, let them confidently learn them, and be better prepared for their Kindergarten experience.



Katie gets some new "bling" as she loops yellow Froot Loops onto her yellow bracelet last week.

Important dates over the next two weeks of November

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
07 Helper of the Day: Morgan	08 Helper of the Day: Katie	09 Helper of the Day: Colin	10 NO SCHOOL: Conferences
14 Helper of the Day: Viviahn	15 Helper of the Day: Charlie	16 Helper of the Day: Bode	17 Helper of the Day: Mollie