

Learning at Home

Engage your preschoolers every day learning with these activities:

- ☺ Read together
- ☺ Talk about your day
- ☺ Play rhyming games
- ☺ Sing songs and Nursery Rhymes
- ☺ Talk about feelings-both yours and your child
- ☺ Ask questions

Please have your children practice these skills each day to reinforce what they have been working on all year. Continued practice will ensure they are ready for Kindergarten.

- ☺ Sing the days of the week, months of the year, and our Good Morning Song
- ☺ Name their colors, numbers and shapes
- ☺ Have them count from 0 to 100, count backwards from 20 to 0 (make number cards to practice out of order).
- ☺ Review all letters for identification and sounds (make flashcards to practice identifying out of order)
- ☺ Say the Pledge of Allegiance

Phonemic Awareness (the ability to hear, identify and manipulate the sounds of language)

- ☺ Have them practicing saying words that rhyme with these words:
 - cat, run, can, hop, fit, cup, toy, ten, say, lot
- ☺ Have them say the beginning sound of these words:
 - sit, dog, bed, leg, van, tv, cat, jump, tan, zoo
- ☺ Have them say the ending sound in these words:
 - run, zip, hop, dad, log, cat, say, yes, call, arm

Read with them daily (books, magazines or newspaper) and have them answer the following questions as you read:

- ☺ What is the setting (where does it take place)?
- ☺ What are the characters (who is in the story)?
- ☺ What happens first? next? Finally? Last?
- ☺ Is there a problem in the story (what is wrong)?
- ☺ Is there a solution (how is the problem solved)?
- ☺ What was their favorite part of the story? Why?

Reading Activities

- ☺ Have children read to you...tell you the story using the pictures. They enjoy retelling and we enjoy listening to their version of the story through pictures. They are very creative!
- ☺ Have them draw in a journal(notebook) ask them to explain to you what
- ☺ they are drawing and you write their words. Here are some ideas:
- ☺ Draw their favorite part of the story and/or favorite character
- ☺ Favorite food, season, animal, game, activity to do at school, favorite family
- ☺ activity, tv show, movie, place to visit, outside activity, song, color (the possibilities are endless)

Most of all.... love them, hug them and let them know how much we miss them! You can do this!

