

PURPLE ROOM NEWSLETTER

Ms. Ambre



Welcome back and Happy New Year! I hope you all enjoyed your winter break! I missed my class, and I am excited to be back to our routine.

This month we will be learning all about Animal Habitats! We will also focus on Creative Arts for our afternoon enrichment. Children in the afternoon will make snowmen out of playdough, have fun doing cool science experiments and make their very own donut!

During our first week of January, we will learn all about the grasslands and the letter of the week P. The kiddos will work on AB and ABC patterns by stringing pasta onto pipe cleaners to make snake patterns. We will work on letter recognition and handwriting using our "Read It, Write It, Match It" boards where they will pick a letter card, identify the letter, write the letter, and then find the matching magnetic letter. The kiddos will also do a variety of art activities including putting spots on a giraffe, painting a zebra using a fork, put feathers on a bird and create a snake out of an egg carton.

Our second week, we will focus on the polar habitat and letter Q for our letter of the week. We will explore what animals live in the polar and make them igloos with fake snow for science. For art, we will make a sky of northern lights and a polar bear with cotton balls. During literacy, we will ice fish for letters and trace with marshmallows.

For the third week, we will learn all about the rainforest and the letter of the week R. The kiddos will make their own rainforest mini book by completing the "I see..." sentence. They will trace the animal's name and color in the animal picture on each page. We will also work on one-to-one correspondence for math with our "Roll & Count" game, the children will roll dice, count the total number, and put the corresponding number of leaves on their rainforest tree. For art, we will make a rain stick, a paper bag puppet frog, and a mosaic lizard.

Week 4 is all about the Desert and letter R! Kiddos will explore animals that thrive in the heat and sand. Children will dig through sand to find letters, make pyramids with blocks and match cactus shapes for math and science! For art, children will make a sunset in the desert and make a mosaic cactus with a q- tip!

Lastly, week 5 we will go Wild for Wild Animals and letter T! For literacy, children will line up ABC monkeys in order and find beginning letter sounds of animals! They will guess what skin belongs to animals and do animals track puzzles for math and science and make a snake, tiger, lion and a giraffe for art!

Holidays

Jan 3rd - School Resumes

Jan 16th - School **CLOSED** MLK Day

Reminders:

- Label everything! We have many items that our friends may have as well.
- **Do not forget to sign in/out**
- Bring a water bottle everyday
- We kindly ask to keep any toys at home if it is not share day. Stuffedies for naptime are more than welcome!
- Weather is changing! Please make sure backup clothes are appropriate.

Letter of the Week

1/2- 1/6 P

1/9-1/13 Q

1/16- 1/20 R

1/23-1/27 S

1/30-2/3 T