

# CHALK Preschool

## Yellow Room Newsletter

Ms. Sara Jan. 2023

### Reminders

- Label all belongings, including backpacks and water bottles.
- Update extra clothes to accomodate cooler weather.

Welcome to Yellow Room! We will be learning all about Animal Habitats this month.

For the first week of January, we will be learning about the rainforest. We will travel to South America to learn all about snakes, monkeys, tree frogs, parrots, and butterflies. For art, we will create a parrot craft using soft feathers. For literacy, we will trace the letter of the week with dot markers. For math and science, we will sort butterflies by size.

During the second week of January, we will be learning about the desert. We will focus on cactus, camels, coyotes, and reptiles. We will make a paper bag coyote puppet for art and read the book, Coyote: A Trickster Tale From the American Southwest. We will use our sense of touch to trace the letter of the week in a shallow tray of sand. During science, we will explore succulents and learn how cactus hold water through an intriguing experiment.

For the third week of January, we will focus on hibernation. We will discover which animals hibernate and why through sorting activities and by matching animals to their habitats. We will erase uppercase letters on a dry erase board that spell "hibernation". We will also make a muddy frog for art.

For the fourth week, we will learn about the Polar habitat. Our activities for this week include, for literacy, tracing the first letter of our own name on a sensory bag; for math, sorting shapes on a fun walrus; and for art, painting a snowy owl with white paint and aluminum paper.

For the last week of January, we will visit the grasslands. We will focus on the African grasslands, also known as the Savanna. We will learn about giraffes, elephants, cheetahs, and zebras. For art, we will be making animal prints with paint and savanna animals. For literacy, we will form the letter of the week with play dough. For math, we will sort elephants by size and color.

#### Letter of the Week:

1/2 - 1/6 - Oo  
1/9 - 1/13 - Pp  
1/16 - 1/20 - Qq  
1/23 - 1/27 - Rr  
1/30 - 2/3 - Ss



#### CHALK Holidays:

1/2 - New Year's Day  
Observed (CLOSED)  
1/16 - Martin Luther King  
Jr. Day (CLOSED)



#### Character Building Trait:

Responsible - When  
I promise to do  
something, I do it.  
You can count on  
me. I finish my work.  
I take good care of  
my belongings.