

April 2025 NEWSLETTER

Themes

Arts Galore

Explore color, observe the styles of famous artists, visit virtual art museums, and discover other forms of art, such as music and dance, with your budding artists! Children will quickly learn that possibilities are endless when art is involved.

Nature Rocks!

Our planet is a special place and requires our care. Children will learn how to protect and care for all living things by exploring the concepts of recycling, reusing, and general conservation. Embark on outdoor journeys to look for animals, plants, and insects.

Color/ Shape

Alphabet Words



vase, viola, volcano, volleyball, wallet, watermelon, wheat, wolf, box, ox, six, wax

Letters

Vv, Ww. Xx

Sign Language





Numbers

17-18

Learn with Me!

Art Inspiration

Show your child that you value their art. Encourage them to tell you about their artwork. Start the conversation by saying, "Tell me about your picture." Provide art materials and see what your young artist creates at home. Place the materials in an easy-to-reach space so your child can choose to do art independently. Display the artwork on your refrigerator or another special place at home or at work.

Enjoy Nature Together

Appreciate nature with your child. Find a place where you have a clear view of the rising or setting sun. Build anticipation for the first glimpse of the sun in the morning. Take a simple breakfast outdoors. Watch the sun sink below the horizon at sundown. End the day by a window, and encourage your child to say goodnight to the moon, the stars, the animals, or a favorite tree. Express your gratitude for the lovely day!

My Project: Stained Glass

When I bring this project home, we can:

- Hang it in a window or bright place.
- Talk about the colors, shapes, and designs of the paint.



My Project: Viewing Binoculars

When I bring this project home, we can:

- Take the binoculars outside to help spot plants, insects, or animals.
- Hang the binoculars in a safe place so they are ready to be used later.



Graphics are intended to show samples of projects. Materials may be substituted or used differently.

FAMILY CONNECTION

Book List

Snippets: A Story About Paper Shapes by Diane Alber

ABC's of Art by Sabrina Hahn

Anywhere Artist by Nikki Slade Robinson

Play This Book by Jessica Young

You Belong Here by M.H. Clark

The Fascinating Animal Book for Kids by Ginjer Clarke

Sometimes Rain by Meg Fleming

Baby Bear Sees Blue by Ashley Wolff

Songs & Rhymes

I Used a Paintbrush

Sung to "Ring Around the Rosie"
I used a (paintbrush),
A (paintbrush), a (paintbrush),
I used a (paintbrush)
On my paper.

Repeat with: crayon marker glue stick

I Had a Little Cherry Stone

I had a little cherry stone And put it in the ground. And when next year I went to look, A tiny shoot I found.

The shoots grew upward day by day, And soon became a tree. I picked the rosy cherries then, And ate them with my tea.

Recipe

Sunbutter Chia Seed Pudding

3 T. chia seeds ½ cup milk OR dairy alternative 2 tsp. pure maple syrup 3 pitted dates, chopped 2 T. sunbutter OR nut butter of you

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Invite your child to help measure and mix the ingredients for this snack. Stir the milk and chia seeds together in a bowl until no clumps remain. Add the remaining ingredients and mix



well. Refrigerate for at least 30 minutes before enjoying the pudding together.

Reminders	