



This Month's News

May, 2007

During May we will continue talking about Spring, seeds and planting!



Our projects / activities will include making May baskets and tissue paper flowers, planting more things to see how they grow, paper plate ladybugs, bird feeders, and lots of things for Mother's Day (so we can't tell you too much). We will also go on a scavenger hunt to find some common things that are outside.

Cooking with Jeri projects will include "ants on a log" and "ant cake". We will also learn about Ezekiel bread sprouts and proper nutrition!

Older children: Our discovery activity will include completing a sequence story, which tells how to plant a seed and what a seed needs to grow into a plant. Children will begin a "carrot top" garden and give our school plants a "haircut" to learn how new plants can be grown from parts of old plants and not just seeds.

Babies will be included in all activities as much as possible. We will blow bubbles and babies will watch them rise to the sky. We'll also continue to do some "Baby Yoga."

Special project: Children will make cleaning time aprons. Inexpensive children's aprons can be made by using some fabric paint, markers, stamps or iron-on patches for your child to decorate an apron. This can be a cleaning time apron. Encourage your child to wear the apron at home and be a good helper.



At home activity: Blow bubbles and watch them rise to the sky. Fun mini-bubble blowers can be made by taping three or four drinking straws together at one end. Make sure all the straws are even before taping. Dip the ends of the straws into bubble solution, and then blow lots of tiny bubbles. We will try this at "school" too!

Tornado drills will be practiced through October. Children will participate as they are shown the safe place arranged for them at daycare, should there ever be an actual tornado during school time. This is something you can teach at home as well!

Children will be hearing some new and some old songs: In My Garden, Walk Outside, and Wiggle Worms. New stories will include: The Grouchy Ladybug and a book about different fruits called "What Am I?"

Children will continue taking nature walks, so as always make sure your child has the appropriate clothing for outside. Have a great month and stop in any time!