



Little Dragon Tales

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From the Counselor:

TRANSITIONS

As parents of preschoolers, you hear this word over and over again. What does it mean and why is it so important? Transition is a time of change. During these years of rapid growth and development, your child is dealing with constant change. How a children responds to change impacts how they relate to their world. Help your child deal with change by:

- Offering encouragement
- Use praise when appropriate
- Introduce change gradually
- Establish routines at home
- Use good communication
- Do not ridicule or criticize
- Let them know ahead of time of any change in plans

Upcoming Events:

Oct. 11-13 Spirit Week—Dress up

- Mon, 11th—Pajama Day
- Tues, 12th—Crazy Hair/Hat Day
- Wed, 13th—School Color Day

Oct. 14-15 Conferences-No school
(see below for more details)

Oct. 25-28 Lunch with Ms Lisa

Oct. 29 Fantastic Friday

Oct. 30 Autumn Fair at Main Campus
at 1-4pm

Fantastic Friday!



Parent/Teacher Conferences

Thursday, 14 October 2010

8:30 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Friday, 15 October 2010

8:30 a.m. – 12 noon

Parent/teacher conferences are a very important form of communication between your child's teacher and your family. This year we are doing conferences a bit differently than before.

For students age 2 – 11 years old: By appointment only – **parents must call the office** to arrange a conference time. **We will not be calling parents from the school – please call the school building your child attends!!** Simply call 2688-2272.

2 Year Old Pandas

"I'm a baby triangle, I have three sides; I'm a Mama circle, round as a pie..." sang the 2 YOs this week. As two year old teachers we are always looking for fun interactive songs, projects and books to help convey the concepts we want your children to learn. This week, with our focus on the number 1, the shape circle and the color red, we came up with the before mentioned song. After singing it in class I was hopeful that with the hand motions and repetition some of the children might be ready to identify one of the plastic shapes I had set in front of me. Pointing to a triangle I asked expectantly, "What shape is this?". One of the children said very excitedly, "Its the baby!". And of course the circle, square and rectangle were all identified as the Mama, Papa and Uncle. The 2's never cease to amaze us with what they will come up with next! By the end of this week, many children are able to identify circles and other shapes as well.



3 Year Old Rabbits

My Family Is Special

A *family* is an important part of each child's life. Every member of the family has responsibilities that help the family to function successfully and each member in the family is *important and special*.

Through this topic, the *Rabbits* are learning that a family is made up of adults and children who live together and care for each other. The children will be involved in various activities that will give them a better understanding about how families are different and alike. *Most of all my family is special!*



4 Year Old Tigers

The boys and girls continue to learn about many important topics in the four-year-old program. The children have shown great interest in our unit, *My Home*. They love sharing with others the different kinds of homes they live in. They may say, "Our house is small" or "I live in a big building". In this unit, they see, learn and enjoy the 3D model houses and furniture that we have in the classroom. They discuss the purposes and parts of a home and the things that we can see inside each part of a home. The children learn about various household items and their uses.

The 4-year olds made a project with the different parts of a house and decorated the rooms with the various items that we see inside a house. They are also learning songs and rhymes about homes. The song, *Rooms in My Home*, is everyone's favorite.

