

Infants

Welcome Back! We are so excited to see everyone back from winter break. It is crazy to think we now have a room almost full of one-year olds. It has been such a joy watching them grow over the last year. Last month, we celebrated our friend's Simon and Emmett's 1st birthday. During the month of December we talked about the different things you will find in the community. We did a toothpaste painting where we painted with a toothbrush and toothpaste to represent a dentist. Another activity that we did, was we created a sensory bin that had oatmeal, recycling bins and trucks with a bunch of tissue paper with tweezers. The infants worked on using the tweezers to pick-up the tissue paper and putting it in the bins. The other part of our unit was talking about families and the different holidays they celebrated. We created a finger family by painting their hands and each finger represented all the members of their family. The last week before break we worked on a special holiday gift along with some fun holiday activities.

As we move forward to the month of January we will be talking about all things winter. We've had such a warm winter thus far; we are slightly missing snow and hope to see it soon. If we continue to have a mild winter, we will be making our own snow by using flour and baby oil. We will also be doing a couple different activities related to ice. One of the activities that we will be doing is making ice cubes with baking soda and food coloring. The infants will work on their fine motor and pinching skills to drop vinegar onto the ice cubes in which it will create a chemical reaction and cause them to start fizzing. We will be doing a wide range of sensory activities that work on their grasping, fine motor and scooping and pouring skills.

Even though we have a lot of fun sensory activities planned we will also be making our own little winter wonderland. We will be making some fun icicles to hang in our classroom. We will also be making some snowball paintings by using cotton balls and making tape resistant snowflakes. We will even make some winter gear such as: hats, mittens, ice skates and sleds.

This month we would like to thank Ms. Mara for everything she has done for the infant room and would like to wish her the best of luck on her new adventure. We will miss her!

We would like to wish McKenna the best as she moves up to the toddler room!

