



TODDLER NEWS

The Toddlers are starting the school year this September with the theme of "All About Me". This month the toddlers will spend time getting to know themselves and others.

We will build upon our language skills by learning parts of the body, and the names of our classmates and teachers. We will also identify different feelings and discuss the five senses.

The Toddlers will create art projects that include hand and foot prints, tracing the children's bodies and finger-painting.

Gross motor activities include: dancing the "Hokey Pokey", singing "Head, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes", "I'm a Little Tea Pot" and "Open -Shut Them".

The books the children will be exposed to will also reflect the month's theme. Among them will be: This Is the Way, Friends At School, and The Way I Feel.

We will celebrate Grandparents Day on Friday September 11, 2009 with a special get together that all are invited to. The children will be hard at work in the mean time making special gifts for Grammy and Grampa, Nanna and Papa, Abuelo and Abuela, Nono and Nana, Grampy and Nanny and all the Grandparents. We will also be reading the books Grandfather And I and Grandmother And I

Infant News

Welcome to all our new families. One of the ways we welcome new families to Adventures Preschool is to decorate the walls with pictures of the children's family and friends. If you haven't already done so please send in a few pictures. We also use family pictures to encourage cognitive skills in infants. Learning "Mommy" and "Daddy" is a milestone in an infant's development. Keeping pictures of mom and dad where an infant can see them encourages the children to use the identifying name for each. This also encourages expressive language skills.

As long as the weather allows we will be spending as much time outside as we can. But all good things must come to an end, so be prepared! We go outside twice each day (even with the cooler weather) so please check your child's extra clothes bin for appropriate warmer clothing.

The infant children are always on the go. Please, be careful when you come in the door. The children are learning to roll over on their bellies, some are crawling (quite fast!), some are pulling themselves up and taking a few tentative steps! Also remember our Infant Program is a shoeless environment – shoe covers are located by the classroom entrance for your convenience.