



This month will be full of really exciting and fun activities. We will begin introducing themes to the lesson plan and using them in all areas of play and learning. We will begin with Farm Animals and all of their sounds, songs, environment, and textures. We will make a farm habitat in our sensory bin with dirt and hay, read the book “Touch and feel bunny,” build language through playing Hide and Seek with farm animals, singing “Old McDonald” and work on farm puzzles.

Moving through the weeks, we will begin to explore more areas of art outdoors, such as using watercolor in spray bottles to spray white sheets. We will encourage the children to stack blocks of different materials, explore our senses through picking flowers, and explore diverse music through homemade drums. All of these activities are put into our lesson plan (which is on the bulletin board outside) with careful thought to where each child is developmentally. To encourage skills that are emerging each week, the activities can slightly change, or be repeated. All of the children are really loving to explore everything that they can touch, so we will be changing items in the sensory bin (dirt, hay, water, popping rice cereal, paint, seeds, plants) weekly.

Parent Education

This month’s focus is the importance of self-control. Although the children are young, there are many ways to introduce this and begin to see the benefits that will last throughout their life. Below is a link to a podcast called “Little Kids, Big Questions” with special guest Dr. Brenda Jones Harden.

This is a very informative podcast and I also recommend adding it to your regular listening list.

<https://www.zerotothree.org/resources/280-how-babies-begin-to-develop-self-control-in-the-first-3-years>

Monthly Events

April 3 & 4- School Picture Day

April 4- PTF Meeting

April 16-20 NAEYC Week of the Young Child Celebration

April 20- St. George’s Day- Slaying of the Dragon 9AM

April 22- Knight for St. George’s