



September Newsletter



Monthly Themes

September 4th-8th: All About Me

September 11th-15th: My Body

September 18th-22nd: The 5 Senses/"The Beginning"

September 25th-29th: Apples /"Adam and Eve"



upcoming birthdays

- ◆ Victoria F.- September 7th
- ◆ Lila F.-September 8th
- ◆ Monica D.-September 9th
- ◆ Alyssa P.-September 10th
- ◆ Emily R.-September 15th
- ◆ Brielle C.-September 15th
- ◆ Logan C.- September 17th
- ◆ Kane D.-September 18th
- ◆ Ethan K.-September 18th
- ◆ Brandon B.-September 21st
- ◆ Jax K.-September 23rd

Reading Milestones

Children do not become great readers overnight. Introducing children to books and reading as young as infancy will help them to learn to love and appreciate reading as they get older.

Quality childcare centers, pre-kindergarten programs, and homes full of language and book reading can build an environment for reading milestones to happen.

Here are common reading milestones for children. Keep in mind however, that all children develop differently and at their own pace

Infancy (Up to Age 1)

Children usually begin to:

- imitate sounds they hear in language
- respond when spoken to
- look at pictures
- reach for books and turn the pages with help

Toddlers (Ages 1-3)

- answer questions about and identify objects in books — such as "Where's the cow?" or "What does the cow say?"
- name familiar pictures
- use pointing to identify named objects
- pretend to read books
- know well
- turn pages of board books
- have a favorite book and request it to be read often

Early Preschool (Age 3)

- explore books independently
- listen to longer books that are read aloud
- retell a familiar story
- recite the alphabet
- begin to sing the alphabet song with prompting and cues
- make continuous symbols that resemble writing

- imitate the action of reading a book aloud

Late Preschool (Age 4)

- recognize familiar signs and labels, especially on signs and containers
- make up rhymes or silly phrases
- recognize and write some of the letters of the alphabet
- read and write their names
- name beginning letters or sounds of words
- match some letters to their sounds
- use familiar letters to try writing words
- understand that print is read from left to right, top to bottom



Special Days in September

- ◆ September 4th-**CLOSED** for Labor Day
- ◆ September 23rd-**OPEN HOUSE**
- ◆ September 26th-**Johnny Appleseed Day**



Welcome Back to School

When children come home at the end of the day,
The question they're asked as they scurry to play
is, "Tell me what you did today?"
And the answer they give makes you sigh with dismay.
"Nothing, I did nothing today!"
Perhaps nothing means that I played with blocks,
Or counted to ten, or sorted some rocks.
Maybe I painted a picture of red and blue
Or heard a story of a mouse that flew.
Maybe I watched the gerbils eat today,
Or went outside on the swings to play.
Maybe today was the very first time
That my scissors followed a very straight line
Maybe I lead a song from beginning to end,
Or played with a special brand new friend.
When you're in school
And your heart has wings,
"Nothing" can mean so many things!

From the Office

Referral Program

Attention Parents!
Starting September through
November, you have the chance to win a

**\$300 gift card
to Toys R Us!**

When you refer a family between the
months of September and November and
they enroll for Full-Time care with us,
you will be entered into a drawing to win
a \$300 gift card to Toys R Us!

Let us help you get a head start on your
Christmas shopping!

Closed for Labor Day!

Our annual **Open House** is **Saturday, September 23rd!** Join us for special classroom activities, pony rides, face painting, and more!

Reminder: Make sure all of your **paperwork**, including medication consent forms, and physicals, is up to date for the upcoming school year!

Candy Bar Fundraiser is this month! All proceeds will go towards purchasing new materials for your child's classroom!

