

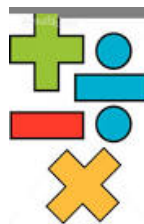
May 13, 2020

Hello again and welcome to the LAST TLC update letter for the year. We have loved keeping in touch with you this way during the time we couldn't be together. We hope you remember some fun things we asked you to do and more importantly, we hope you remember how much we missed seeing you in our classroom every Tuesday and Thursday! We hope to see you back next year!

We are sure you all got the email from Mrs. Davis about the parade next Tuesday, May 19th. We look forward to seeing your smiling faces as you drive by and wave! If you have any questions, or didn't get the email let me know!



In the 3 year old program, one of the hardest things to master is CUTTING. We can't stress enough how important it is for you to work with your children on this skill. Their small hands need to get stronger and get the perfect coordination of movements in order to perfect this skill. Please allow supervised cutting of anything you see fit. We have cut cooked spaghetti, scrap paper, shapes, play-doh...anything to get them interested in practicing. A great idea on a warm day would be to have them gather things from the yard (leaves, petals, grass...) and put it in one container and allow them to cut what they found. Or if there is a celebration, allow them to cut confetti out of paper. Remind them "thumb up" and "eyes on the paper". The more they practice now, the better prepared they will be for next year!



To add a bit more challenge to last week's math activity, you can set up a paper like this:

1 Less	Number	1 More
	1	
♥	2 ♥ ♥	♥ ♥ ♥
	3	
	4	
	5	

If they master, this one, you can always even add more challenge by labeling it "2 more, 2 less, and so on."



We know you all are already doing this, but don't ever stop reading to your kids! The more they hear you read with inflection and purpose, the better off and more ready they will be to start their own reading. Check out this link for some good books and some great statistics about reading to preschoolers.

<http://www.readaloud.org/why.html>

Most importantly, enjoy this extra time with your kids. By coloring with them, reading to them, and laughing with them, they will look back on this time and remember how engaged and connected everyone was.

We look forward to things getting back to "normal" and being able to see you all again!

Love,
Merideth Banet and Sam Signorello