

Thank You Families

We just want to thank all of our Minneapolis Kids Jr. families. It has been an incredible year and we couldn't have done it without you. It's been amazing to see all the growth the kids have made and the friendships that developed. I can't wait to see some familiar kindergarten faces next year. Thanks again and we hope you continue on with Minneapolis Kids.

April Review: Ocean Commotion

In April we explored the topic of It's a Small World. We talked about the ocean-scape, large sea creatures, small sea creatures and ended with ocean exploration.

We focused on:

- Shape: Triangle Letters: O, W & X
- Numbers: 8, 18 Color: Blue

A few of our projects: Oyster Pearls, O is for Octopus, Ocean Designs, Whale Blowing art, Octopus Windsocks, Jellyfish art, Sea Star snacks

Curriculum: mothergoosetime.com

Our Kindergarten Visits

This last month the kiddos have been visiting kindergarten classrooms. We are trying to have the children be familiar with the school setting, as well as meeting the teachers and seeing rooms they may potentially be in next year.

They were very nervous at first, but the teachers welcomed us into their rooms with open arms. After some time they became comfortable, had room tours and then the kindergarteners read to them in small groups. We have been to three kindergarten classrooms so far and hope to make it to all five. It's hard to believe in a few short months that these kiddos may be reading to our next set of Jr. friends!

Happy Birthday!



Willow May 24

Anneliese August 12



May Preview: Growing Gardens

What do I need to plant a garden? How do gardens grow? What animals visit a garden? What foods grow in a garden?

- Shape: Diamond
- Letters: F, R & Y
- Numbers: 9, 10, 19

Last Day of Jrs:

Thursday, May 21st

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One Day's Discovery



Counting and Octopus Windsocks

Above: Counting Suckers Math game.

Children made octopus windsocks. We hung the projects up from the ceiling and invited children to swim in the ocean, but to be careful not to disturb the octopuses.

Daily Schedule

10:00-10:20 Meet and Greet/Free Play

10:20-10:40 Circle Time

10:50-11:00 Bathroom

11:00-11:30 Outside

11:30-12:20 Small Group Time

12:20-12:40 Free Options

12:40-1:00 Lunch

*Show and Share Day - Every Wednesday

* Please be sure all lunches are peanut-free.



Our Adventures with Ramona



This friend taught Ramona how to drive. She was a little too short for the seat. Ramona enjoyed her time with both of this friend's cats Bettie and Doug. Bettie particularly loved chasing her tail. Ramona loved learning to play the piano from this friend.

Come back anytime to visit Ramona...you will be missed.

A Note from Ducky, Ollie, and Ramona!

Dear Friends,

A HUGE thank you to all the families that took such good care of us while we stayed at your homes. We asked Karen to put out the binder of all our animal adventures with our newly made friends here at Minneapolis Kids Jr. for everyone to look at. We can't stop talking about all our amazing travels we've have had and the friendships we have made along the way. Thanks again!

Warmly, Ducky, Ollie and Ramona