



What's Humming in the Hummingbird Class In February?



YOUR TERRIFIC TODDLER!



Cognitive Development Activities for the Month:

- The children will begin learning about different types of feelings such as happy, love, grateful, sad.
- We will hear different sounds and identify them while playing "Name that Noise".

Physical Development (Large & Small Muscle) Activities for the Month:

Large Muscle Skills:

- Our practice play activity will include making "snow angels" in gym!
- Continuing with noise recognition we will practice walking in a circle and "FREEZE" at the sound of a bell, drum, etc.

Small Muscle Skills:

- We will lift hearts from a pile and place them in different places around our school. High, low, up, down, under are all words we will practice during this activity.
- We will play "peekaboo" using our hands to cover our eyes. We will practice eye contact with our friends and teachers and waiting for our turn.

Creative Art Development Activities for the Month:

- We will practice layering by doing lots of gluing, glittering, and painting to prepare for Valentine's Day!
- We will spend more time feeling different types/colors of play dough and clay.

Hummingbird Themes for February...

- My feelings! If you're Happy and you know it...
- Opposites: Day and Night
- Letters: L,M,N Colors: Red & Pink
- Shapes: Square, Heart
- Hand Signs: "Hug" and "Book"
- Song – "Will you be my Valentine?"

Valentine's Day!

Valentine's Day is the perfect opportunity for your child to learn how our mail system works. In class, the students will make a surprise Valentine Card for their families! An envelope will be sent home in the backpack for you to stamp and fill out with your home address. **Please do this with your child while explaining how the mail system works.** Then, place the envelope in your child's folder in their backpack to return to school. Once you return the envelope, we will help them place his/her card inside and then walk to the pretend mailbox and mail it. What fun when the mailman delivers it to your house!

Hand Signs...

Each month we will introduce a "Hand Sign" to your little ones. Sign Language helps toddlers communicate their needs.

hug



HUG: cross your arms giving yourself a hug

Book: Place hands in "prayer" position. Open and close, like opening and closing book.

Will You Be My Valentine? (sung to "London Bridges")

Will you be my Valentine,
Valentine, Valentine
Will you be my Valentine?
I'm your friend.

I will be your Valentine,
Valentine, Valentine
I will be your Valentine
You're my friend!

