



COUNTRY CHILDREN'S HOUSE NEWSLETTER

Have a great summer!

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MATH & SENSORIAL

"Ch week"-We enjoyed chick counting and matching chicks to eggs. A favorite this week-the grocery store. Our grocery store lesson included manners at the store (saying please and thank you), counting money (making change), decision making on what to buy, taking turns and number recognition. The children enjoyed taking turns being the cashier and the customer.

May is a fun month at the preschool. In Math, we introduced fractions. We played a lot of fun games to help us grasp the concept of fractions. We had fun with different fraction games demonstrating how we divide something among 2, 3 & 4 people (1/2, 1/3, 1/4). We enjoyed a pizza work while learning about fractions as well. We used wooden fruit which can be cut into pieces to illustrate fractions as well. The children did very well with this concept. We also talked about time concepts to the hour this month.

Continue working with number recognition and writing your numbers with your children over the summer! This can be done in many fun ways! At the grocery store, driving in the car, while eating meals or snack we can count and work on addition and subtraction...

Hope everyone has a safe and wonderful summer!

SCIENCE & GEOGRAPHY



"Ch week"-We discovered many facts about China and located Asia on our map and we tried a hand at using chopsticks. The Chinese use a bike as a form of transportation. Chickens-we learned the hen lays eggs, the chick hatches in 21 days. We received our chick eggs in our classroom and enjoyed our baby chicks. What a fun learning experience for all. An exciting time at CCH!

"Flower & Seed week"-Flowers have a job to do-to produce seeds to make new plants. Their bright colors and wonderful scents help attract butterflies, insects & birds who help carry pollen to the next flower so they can form. A seed needs...sun, water & air!

"Butterfly week"-We have enjoyed observing the life cycle of a butterfly by watching our caterpillars in our classroom for the past few weeks. We enjoyed watching them go through the process of metamorphosis as they changed into chrysalis right in front of our very eyes. Besides learning about the great change our butterflies experienced, we found out that a butterfly uses its back feet to taste its food, drinks nectar from the proboscis & it uses its antennae to smell. What an amazing insect!

We hope you have a great summer exploring the outdoors during the wonderful summer season!



LANGUAGE & PRACTICAL LIFE

"Ch" week"-Along with our "ch" sound box, choice works included: chalk writing. We enjoyed a favorite Chicka Chicka Boom Boom by Bill Martin Jr. and John Archambault.

During the month of May, we did a lot of fun projects that correlated with themes in Science. We enjoyed many of our favorite works reviewing all the letters of the alphabet. These games included, alphabet BINGO, alphabet dominoes, SOUND it Out BINGO (a BINGO game where the children worked on reading simple phonetically spelled words). Of course many of our favorite works in Practical Life were out as well: play dough, washing, scooping, flower arranging, sweeping, clothes line and folding.

Continue the great work on practicing writing names and letters throughout the summer. Have a lot of fun with it! Remember it doesn't have to be only on paper, you can use paint, shaving cream, salt, sand, pudding, sidewalk chalk, sidewalk paint and a favorite is to use a clean paint brush (any size) and dip it into water and write on the cement! (This can be done at the pool!)

Our year has gone so fast. We will miss all of you.

MUSIC & ART



"Ch" week -A favorite of the week was dancing to the "Chicken Dance" & "I know a chicken". We studied Chagall's art and created chalk drawings.

"Flower & Seed week"-We reviewed our favorite Van Gogh & O'Keeffe flower paintings and recreated our very own. We created many flower art projects this week.

"Butterfly week"-We welcomed the nice weather with our very own week of butterfly creations.

Capture the season of Art in nature & enjoy your summers!

Have a wonderful summer!



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*Creativity is
Inventing,
Experimenting,
Growing,
Taking risks,
Breaking rules,
Making mistakes,
And having fun.
~Mary Lou Cook*