

BOBBIE NOONAN'S CHILD CARE Palos Hills JUNIOR JOURNAL

Weeks of September 3 & September 10

Theme: Dinosaurs

Introduce: Circle & Square, 1 & 2 **Bits of Intelligence:** Mammals

Expressive Vocabulary: Tremendous - very *large or great*

Vanish – to go out of sight or existence

Review: Red, Blue, Aa, Bb

School is closed Monday, September 3 for Labor Day- enjoy the holiday

weekend!

Happy Birthday to Leonardo Fajardo 8/30 & Patrick Rotsch 9/4!

Parents - Be on the lookout for your child to be "Student of the Week." Each child will receive a turn with instructions. This will be sent home the week before. Have fun with this! Also, please note for our naptime to only bring a stuffed toy to sleep with that can fit in your cubby. No hard toys please. Please check your child's folder when you pick them up- they have great things to show you! All of your child's belongings should be labeled. If your child is potty training, please dress them in easy to remove clothing- thank you!

Concept: The theme for the next two weeks will be a blast from the past!

Let's say hello to a great topic, dinosaurs! To reinforce our theme, we will be working on dinosaur seriation and matching activities. The children and I will have fun pretending to walk like a big dinosaur and making a volcano! I will introduce a circle and square shape sorting bin - where the children will sort shapes by size and texture.

Craft & Writing: This week we are going to travel back in time to talk about Dinosaurs. Ms. Natalie will be introducing art shelves- this is where the children can color and write independently when they are done with their class work. Parents, we would like for you to work with your child at home using a pencil. This will reinforce the skills we are working on during art. We will also do some fun activities like water color painting and mosaicing our dinosaur friends. In addition, we will be making dinosaur foot prints and stomping our dinosaur figurines through shaving cream. As usual, we will continue to develop our fine motor skills through writing and scissor activities.

Language Arts: How many of you know about dinosaurs? During the next two weeks Ms. Jo will be teaching some facts by using songs, pictures and puppets. We will talk about real vs. non-real, meat eaters and plant eaters. The children will enjoy *The Good Dinosaur: A Disney Pixar Book* and *How Do Dinosaurs Go To School?* by Sarah Yolen and Mark Teague.

Song of the week:

<u>Triceratops</u>
(to the tune of Three Blind Mice)
Look and see, one, two, three
Count with me, one, two, three
Triceratops has three big horns

That's the way that he was born One, two, three, one, two, three