Junior Journal

Week 1 August 20th-24th Theme: Getting Acquainted

Introductions: red and blue Story words—Taffy, Apple The "bell" - When the bell is rung, we put a finger on our lip.

Bits of Intelligence: World Wildlifes (The Bits of Intelligence are flash cards used to expand knowledge of specific areas.)

Classroom Rules

Below are some rules that we will reinforce in the Junior room. We ask that you help us by reminding your child of these behaviors at home.

- 1. We use our words, no hitting.
- 2. We use walking feet in our classroom.
- 3. We use kind words such as :"Please" and "Thank you.
- 4. We use inside voices.
- 5. We always sit on our bottoms.

Language Arts: Mrs. Jackie will be teaching the language room. The children will be introduced to Taffy Apple this week. He is a loveable dog featured in our reading stories. Pictures that highlight the school environment will help the children to become better acquainted with their school surroundings. In addition to many flannel board stories and books, Mrs. Jackie will teach the children a new song entitled "Friends Are Special". Some fun getting acquainted games and songs will help make our first week so enjoyable. As always, our school rules will be reinforced during the first few weeks of school.

Friends are special (nod head)

Let's make a few, (open arms palms up)

Smile and say (smile)

How are you? (nod and look at neighbor)

Reminders:

Going forward all newsletters will be found on our website at

bobbienoonans.com

Please keep toys at home.

- Please send an extra set of clothing that will be kept in your child's backpack.
- All daycare students need a cot sheet and blanket for naptime. Cots sheets can be purchased in the office for \$9.50
- Please check your child's file or folder daily.
- Our menu for the week is located in our foyer and on our website.

Concept: This week Mrs. Barb's class will focus on establishing some basic classroom routines and have some "hands on" fun. We will begin each day with our calendar and weather chart and counting activities. She will introduce sorting, matching and classification games featuring the colors red and blue. A "hands on" experience in tactile discrimination will give the children an opportunity to guess what is inside the Mystery Bag. Mrs. Barb will graph the students eye and hair color.



Motor: In motor class the children will be introduced to the outdoor equipment and rules. Our class will start each day with exercises using our Let's Get Moving activity mats and throwing red and blue bean bags into hoops and jumping from red to blue. The teacher will take the children to the bathroom and reinforce proper bathroom etiquette. The book "Germs Are Not For Sharing", which points out the importance of proper hand washing skills will be read to the children. Please note—gym shoes are preferred footwear for the classroom.

Craft and Writing: Ms. Hollie will keep the children busy with a red apple craft and a Taffy Apple coloring sheet. Our colors for the week are red and blue. As additional reinforcement, the children will be working with different art mediums; paper, watercolor and crayons that will feature both colors. Save room on your refrigerator for our beautiful creations.



 Please feel free to ask your child's teacher any question—if you can, jot your questions or comments down and we will get back to you A.S.A.P.



Looking forward to a great year! The Junior teachers

> Mrs. Jackie Ms. Hollie Mrs. Barb Mrs. Sam