

Junior Journal

Week 8 Oct. 5-9 Theme: Safety

Bits of Intelligence: Midwest Wildflowers

Introductions: Ee and Ff

Vocabulary: warning – notice given before danger or bad results.

Language Arts

The Junior teachers will discuss basic safety rules, laws and roles that firefighters and police officers play with regard to safety. We will also practice how to call 911 in case of an emergency. A video on fire rescue will be reviewed and discussed. We continue to work on reading story #1.

l'm a Police Officer (tune: l'm a Little Teapot)

I'm a police officer, with my star. I help people near and far. If you have a problem, call on me And I will be there in 1-2-3!



<u>Motor</u>

Shapes, numbers, colors and letters will be reviewed through a bean bag toss game. To reinforce name recognition, we will hold up a student's name card and then roll the ball to that person. The ball and wand will be used to strengthen eye-hand coordination. The children will continue to use the color ladder. We will also be practicing STOP-DROP- and ROLL. A game of Red Light, Green Light will add to the safety fun!

Cooler weather is upon us. It's time to update your child's extra clothing from summer to fall. Please label all jackets and sweaters.



Craft and Writing

Pictures of firefighters and police officers will help the children learn about our safety theme. Our readiness papers will help us to recognize our two new letters, Ee and Ff. A special stoplight craft is planned for this week.

<u>Concept</u>

The teachers will talk all about roots and leaves this week. We will be dying the leaves of celery, as well as watching new celery grow. Letters Ee and Ff will be introduced and added to the concept shelves. As a math activity the children will use scary spiders to estimate which pile of spiders contains more. As a science experiment the children will place different objects into water and observe what objects sink and what objects float.

<u>Reminder</u>

No School Monday Oct. 12 for Annual Staff Training

We will be celebrating Halloween on Thursday and Friday October 29th and 30th. Children are welcome to dress up, however please refrain from sending treats. Thank you.



