

# Junior Journal

Week 1 August 16th—20th 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 Wildlife

(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 inside voices.

Language Arts: 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, The children will learn 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:**

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#### **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 folder daily.
- Our menu for the week is located in our foyer and on our website.

**Concept:** This week we 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. We will introduce sorting, matching and classification games featuring the colors red and blue. The teachers will introduce how to spot similarities and differences between objects.

**Motor:** In motor class the children will be introduced to the outdoor equipment and rules. Our class will start each day with stretching exercises, throwing red and blue bean bags into hoops and jumping from red to blue. The teachers 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:** We 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.



Looking forward to a great year! The Junior teachers Please feel free to ask your chiteacher any question—if you cifot your questions or commented down and we will get back to you.



Happy Birthday! Ariyanna Busby 8-17