Hi,

I am very excited about the upcoming week. The children are doing a great job following our routine and breaking our day into projects and play. Now this week we will jump right into the format that we will use for most of the rest of the year. We will begin having a Letter of the Week, a Number of the Week, a Color of the Week and a Shape of the Week. We are starting with the letters Aa and Bb and we will be progressing through the alphabet in order.

So here is what we will be discussing this week:

Letter of the week - Ag and Bb

Number of the Week - 1 Color of the Week - Red Shape of the Week - circle









On Tuesday, we will celebrate Wyatt's birthday. Happy Birthday Wyatt!!

This week we will begin to make Alphabet Crowns. Every child will make a crown for each letter. On each crown the children will trace the letter of the week. They will get to choose pictures to <u>cut</u> <u>out</u> that begins with the letter of week. Finally, they will glue the picture onto their crown and color. We were very excited last week to see their ability to use scissors. At the very least, every child will use scissors at least twice each week to cut out pictures for their alphabet crowns. Please reinforce good scissor skills at home. A couple major points we emphasize is to turn the paper not the scissors and to point the scissors away from you.

Another new project we will begin this week is coloring alphabet sheets. I realize that coloring is not a favorite pastime for everyone. But we will use it to encourage fine motor skills and to build finger strength which will later help them to write and draw. Each child will be encouraged to hold their crayon and pencil using the "pincher grip". If your child is struggling with this, then you can use smaller crayons and/or put a cotton ball or cap in their hand to hold in their last three fingers while pinching their pencil. Please ask for clarification if you need it.

The Number of the Week will count up from 1-20. Each week will focus on a different number. We will complete number worksheets to reinforce the concept of the number. The Shape of the Week will reinforce the children's knowledge of all of the basic shapes.

Thank you for all your support. Please do not hesitate to contact me at any time. We are loving your children and getting to know them better.

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October
3-RNS Stroll 11AM
11-Monday Columbus Day Observed
NO SCHOOL