



Pre-K February Newsletter



Concepts introduced this month:

- Inquiry questions "What makes balls move" and "What are balls made of"?
- Friendship skills
- Isolating beginning sounds
- Geometric solids



VALENTINE'S DAY PARTY



We will celebrate Valentine's Day with a party on Thursday, February 14th. We will have special centers set up, bake apple tarts, and play a game called "Who Was So Kind To Give Me A Valentine". As well, we will still go and exchange books in the library.

Snack- please send a snack as usual just in case your child does not like the apple tarts ☺

Valentine cards- It takes a very long time for 4 and 5 year olds to hand out valentines! To make this process a little easier, I ask that you do not address the cards with classmate's names. Please encourage your child to sign their name on the cards (with help from you as needed). There are 20 children in the morning class and 18 in the afternoon class.

Scheduled Monday in February

Monday, February 11th: Treehouse (Community Day- Child *without* adult)

- Time: (classes will be combined) 10:00-12:00
- Where: Drop off and pick up will be at Treehouse (Unit 6 - 7710 50 Avenue, Red Deer)
- All participants are required to wear socks in the center. Please bring a water bottle labelled with your child's name. We will not have snack time, your child should eat before arrival.

Home Connection: Early Writing Experiences

Drawing pictures- Drawing and scribbling are often the first steps towards learning how to write. Encourage your child to draw pictures and then ask him to tell you all about his picture.

Signing your name- Often, one of the first words a child wants to write is her name. Help your child learn how to form the letters of her name. Let her sign her name on cards and letters to families and friends.

Why write? Children need to understand that writing has a purpose. Let your child see you writing and help you write things for specific purposes. For example, a shopping list.

Lots of writing materials- Have a special place in your home where your child can go to find paper, pencils, crayons, pens, markers, a small chalkboard, and chalk.

A book about me- Work together to make a book. On the first page have your child draw a picture of himself and label it. Next, draw family members, pets, favorite toys, or favorite activities. Have him dictate a sentence about a picture. Some children may want to write their own words. Remember to praise all efforts!

Write letters to family- Encourage your child to write notes to family. These can be pictures, birthday cards, or thank you notes. Encourage family member to write back to your child. This will help your child understand that writing is another form of communication.



Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have. I am available at school (403-341-3777) or you can contact me by email (jennifer.sveinson@rdcrs.ca).

Mrs. Sveinson



FEBRUARY



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Pd Day- No School	2 
3	4 No PreK	5* Benson	6* Kendrick	7* Denzel Library	8* Alice Scholastic book orders due	9
10 	11 Community Day (<u>Child without Adult</u>) -Location: Treehouse -Time: 10:00-12:00 AM and PM class will be combined.	12* Hannah	13* Wyatt Pink Shirt Day	14* Connor -Library -Valentine's Day Party	15* Joshua	16
17	18 Family Day- No School	19* Grey	20* Maryianne	21* Julienne -Library -Crazy Sock Day	22* Seth	23
24	25 No School	26	27 Spring Break	28		