

November 6th, 2020



Circle Time & Stories

This week at school we welcomed the month of November! To help us reinforce both our color (orange) and shape (square) of the month, we read a sweet story about a square pumpkin. Spookly the Square Pumpkin was the perfect way to introduce these topics. The kiddos had an equally sweet time making a special square snack with crackers, orange frosting, and candy eyes! The frosted cracker brought new meaning to a square meal! Later in the week we read The Secret Life of Squirrels. This adorable book is filled with pictures of a real squirrel wearing tiny clothes and posed with tiny furniture. The kiddos were captivated by the pictures. We invited the kiddos to tell us what they thought the squirrel was doing on each page. Of course we sang the song "Grey Squirrel" and gave our Mr. Squirrel puppet a high five!

Centers

During center time, we played with orange play-doh and explored the sensory bin. The sensory bin was filled with pumpkins and leaves. The kiddos also played a cute squirrel game where they feed a stuffed squirrel different color acorns. This game required lots of fine motor practice by manipulating the acorns to fit into the squishy squirrel mouth. The game not only tested their determination but their sense of humor as well, because the plush squirrel is pretty silly looking.

Specials

Even though our Monday was snowy and cold outside, we were warm and fuzzy dancing and singing to "I'm a little Scarecrow", "We are the Dinosaurs" and the "ABC" song inside. We also had Library time where the kiddos chose a book to look at. It is so cute listening to them tell their own stories while looking at the pictures and trying to figure out what is happening on each page. The kiddos have fun playing while developing pre-literacy skills through reading books in this way. Miss Katie brought her plush toy friends "Mr Froggy", "Bunny Foo Foo" and a puppy to help sing songs with us during Music class! Toward the end of the week, the weather warmed up so we could finally play outside! Miss Kayla visited on Friday to help us practice our somersaults and coordination skills as we jumped with two feet around the classroom.

Crafts

During crafts this week we colored with orange crayons to make a cute square pumpkin picture just like Spookly from the story we read at circle. We used paint markers to make squirrels just like our puppet friend Mr Squirrel. We mixed the colors white and black to make grey. The kiddos thought it was a magic when they made the color grey!

- **No School November 11th For Veterans Day**
- **No School November 26th & 27th for Thanksgiving**
- **Parent-teacher Video Conferences November 20th**