



Emily Meschter Early Learning Center

News from Ms. Aubrey: February 5-8

Welcome back, friends!

Welcome back to another fabulous week here at EMELC! :)

This week, we will continue to focus our learning on engaging learning opportunities that relate to the story, "The Unexpected Love Story of Alfred Fiddleduckling".

Donations

Our classroom is in need of the following items:

Play-Doh

Expo Markers

Kindergarten Preparation

Each week, I will highlight one skill for you and your family to think about or work on at home that promotes kindergarten readiness! :)

Reinforce fine motor strength and skills! Have your child help you with folding laundry, picking up straws and putting them into a small container, or pinching open a clothes pin to hang clothes on a clothing line

In learning centers this week, we will be completing a variety of learning projects; in literacy centers we will be exploring the story, "The Unexpected Love Story of Alfred Fiddleduckling" with a

picture walk. After the picture walk, we will explore and learn the formation and identification of the letter W (W is for watercolor!). In math centers, we will explore and increase spatial awareness and creativity skills by creating a tambourine! Students will explore making music with a new instrument, just as the character within the story did with his fiddle!

Just a reminder!

Please remember our classroom practice in regard to dismissal routines and procedures. Please allow for staff with students who ride the bus home from school to dismiss first, and then pick-up families are welcome to come in to pick up their children. Thank you for your understanding and support!

Important Information:

- ★ **Curriculum Day (Winter Olympics Theme):** February 13
- ★ **Rodeo Break:** February 22 and 23 (No school)
- ★ **Spring Into Kindness Whole School Event:** March 22, 4:30PM-6:00PM
- ★ **Library:** Please return library books each Monday to ensure your child has the opportunity to check out a new book each week!

Parent Tip

We live in a technology world! While your children are at school, we focus on a variety of learning opportunities that foster learning within all domains. While your child is at home or within our community and technology is available, there are some wonderful resources available that foster learning and growth. For the next several weeks, I will highlight a few apps that I feel might benefit our learners! **This week, let's focus on math: try out the app, "Peg + Cat Big Gig"!**

Pssst! Turn this page over for more information about what we are learning this week! :)

Daily Notes for February 5-8

Quarterly Engagement: Social Studies

Theme: Love and Laughter

Weekly Learning Goals:

1. **Literacy:** Students will be able to increase literacy and reading comprehension skills by engaging in the story, "The Unexpected Love Story of Alfred Fiddleduckling" (through a picture walk), as well as engage in a letter formation activity (W).
2. **Math/Science:** Students will increase fine motor, artistic and spatial awareness by engaging in an activity where they will create a tambourine in order to explore music making.
3. **Emergent classroom:** Students will explore the text "The Unexpected Love Story of Alfred Fiddleduckling" and create a music with a tambourine, just as the character in the story made music with a new found instrument.

Monday (literacy): In small group learning centers, students will be able to increase literacy and reading comprehension skills by engaging in the story, "The Unexpected Love Story of Alfred Fiddleduckling" (through a picture walk), as well as engage in a letter formation activity (W).

Tuesday (literacy): In small group learning centers, students will be able to increase literacy and reading comprehension skills by engaging in the story, "The Unexpected Love Story of Alfred Fiddleduckling" (through a picture walk), as well as engage in a letter formation activity (W).

Wednesday (math/science): During small group learning centers, the students will increase fine motor, artistic and spatial awareness by engaging in an activity where they will create a tambourine in order to explore music making.

Thursday (math/science): During small group learning centers, the students will increase fine motor, artistic and spatial awareness by engaging in an activity where they will create a tambourine in order to explore music making.

Please see the full lesson plan posted in the classroom if you would like to know which Arizona Early Learning Standards are being emphasized in this week's curriculum.