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# HOPE VALLEY PRESCHOOL September 2017



Nathan is sorting good choices vs poor choices and explaining about why he is putting them in each category.

### ***Preschool Investigative Study: Beginning of the Year: All About Me in Preschool***

Whether children are new to the preschool or not, they will have many questions as they explore their classrooms. What names do we need to know at school? What should we do if we get sad or scared? What are our rules? When do things happen at school? Who works at our school? How do we make and keep friends? How can we be part of a group? We'll learn where all of our toys and materials are stored in our interest areas and how to take care of our classroom. We'll talk about all of the choices the children have and all of the activities they will enjoy.

And we'll ask, "What do we know about ourselves and what can we learn?" The children will investigate: What do we know about our bodies? What do we

know about our family? What do we know about our senses?

***Be sure we have your family pictures so that we can display them in the classroom!***

We have chosen the following books for our investigative study: I am Not Going to School!, Mouse's First Day of School, On Mother's Lap, All Families are Special, Be My Neighbor, Butterfly Boy, Cleversticks, Families, The Family Book, and Friends at School.



### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

- 4 CLOSED for Labor Day
- 5 Celebrate Me Parade: Wear HVP Shirts
- 7 Grandparents Day: Make Cards for Grandparents
- 8 Spanish Ms. Mariela
- 11 Museum Visits: Bugliest Bugs
- 12 Senior Center Visits
- 15 Crazy Hat Day- Wear your favorite hat
- 18 Outside Drawing- Todd/Two's
- 20 Parachute Play- Todd/Two's
- 21 Community Helper Visits
- 26 Centerwide Fall Picnic

### **FITNESS FRIDAY**

- 1 Kick Hard
- 8 Body Shapes and Sizes
- 15 Throw Far Throw Hard
- 22 Stop and Go
- 29 Body Part Balance

### ***Our Specials***

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Friday
Math Lesson	Literacy Lesson	Music Class Computer Class	Spanish Class Tippi Toes	Math Lesson



Acting out family roles, Brianna and Jane take care of their babies.

## INFANTS & TODDLERS

Young children learn through their interactions with the world around them. This month, our children will begin learning about themselves and their families. They will begin to see that no one is exactly the same. We'll learn about the parts of the body and gender, celebrate birthdays (including pets), and learn the names of family members. ***Be sure we have your family pictures so that we can display them in the classroom!***

Be on the lookout for foot print collages, washing plastic babies, and puppet shows with family member puppets. Our dramatic play areas will be stocked with culturally diverse dolls, clothes, shoes, and hats for some interesting play as we learn "All About Me!"



## Spanish Class

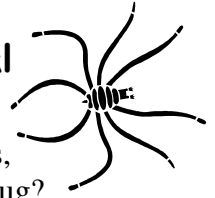
Hola! Como estas? This month we will be learning simple phrases such as: Como te llamas? – What's your name? Muy Bien! – Very good! Adios Amigo! – Goodbye, friend!



## Music Class

We will be focusing on "All About Me" with songs and finger plays that celebrate the uniqueness of every child. Listen out for new songs like "A Very Special Friend" and "See My Family".

## NC Museum of Natural Science



This month the museum presents, ***The Bugliest Bug.*** So...what is a bug? It really depends on whom you ask. This month we will meet a group of animals called arthropods. Most people would consider these bugs! The children will meet a variety of "bugs" and learn some interesting facts about each one.

## FOCUS ON LITERACY

### Making Friends

#### Book of the Month



"Who better to teach children about making friends than the friendliest neighbor of them all, Mr. Rogers! In his gently written picture book, children will see firsthand how much fun making new friends can be. Loaded with real pictures of friends having fun together, this will help any early reader get excited about meeting new people."



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Lola H.	Gloria C.	Mae S.
Ayden H.	Charlotte H.	David M.
Danny M.	Declan M.	
Antoina W.	Beatrice W.	