

# Meadow Oaks Academy Pre School Newsletter

## April 2024

### Pre-Kindergarten News

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**Week 1 – Mr. R – Ripping Rubber Band**

This week we will be learning about Mr. R.

Activities:

...discuss shapes, rectangle, rhombus & round

...make raindrop art

...talk about rabbits & make rabbit ears

...discover rocks

...sight words

DLM: Creepy Crawlies

Science: Science Process Skills-Word Predictions (skills of observation & prediction), Trees & Plants-explore the characteristics of apples

Writing: No Tears Writing Activities

Math: Introduction to subtraction, counting by 10's with dimes

Little Book: Rainbow – wk#1

Songs: Mr. R – Ripping Rubber Band, Rain, Rain Go Away, Do Your Ears Hang Low?

**Show and Tell on Friday: make and bring a pet rock**



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**Week 2 – Mr. J – Jumbled Junk**

Jumping jelly beans let's see what we can learn about the letter J this week.

Activities:

...learn about & make a jellyfish

...make a jeweled "J" necklace

...judge juice

...jar lid painting

...sight words

DLM: Creepy Crawlies

Science: Trees & Plants-Do plants need water to grow? (learn the requirements of plants by touching & observing), Living Trees-compare types of trees by touching & observing

Writing: No Tears Writing Activities

Math: Addition & Counting with dimes

Little Book: Rainbow – wk #2

Songs: Mr. J – Jumbled Junk, Jump-Jump-Wiggle-Wiggle, April Song



**Week 4 – Review W, Y, R, J, and X**

Review time. Our fourth week of April will reintroduce our letter through some exciting activities.

Activities:

...paint with jello

...create a red robot

...trace & cut out a wonderful whale

make rhythm patterns

...sight words

DLM: Creepy Crawlies

Science: What makes plants grow?- shows the importance of water, sun, & air to plants, Choose a leaf-children learn about leaves through observation & the sense of touch

Writing: No Tears Writing Activities

Math: Review adding, subtracting, dimes, quarters

Little Book: Flowers – wk #2



**Week 5 Mr. Q - Quiet**

Well, our quest through the alphabet will come to an end after we learn Mr. Q – Quiet.

Activities:

...paint with quills

...explore & measure with quarts

...learn facts about quarters

...make cheesy quesadillas

...sight words

DLM: Construction Zone

Science: Stimulate curiosity & interest in the way plants grow; How seeds travel?



**Week 3 – Mr. X – All Wrong**

We have excellent ideas in store for learning Mr. X – All Wrong.

Activities:

...looking at x-rays

...explore x's in the newspaper

...make a treasure map with "x"...explore a xylophone

...sight words DLM: Creepy Crawlies

Science: Nature Viewer-children will learn about flowers through collecting & drying blossoms, Mr. Day & Mr. Night-experiment with light & plants & draw conclusions

Writing: No Tears Writing Activities

Math: Introduce quarters, subtraction

Little Book: Flowers – wk #1

Songs & Finger plays: Mr. X – All Wrong, Spring Song

**Show and Tell on Friday: bring something that contains the letter X**



Songs & Finger plays: Review letter people letters W, Y, R, J & X, The Littlest Worm

**Show and Tell on Friday: bring something that begins with a review letter**

Little Book: None

Songs: Mr. Q – Quiet

**Show and Tell on Friday: bring something that starts with Q**

# Preschool 2 Newsletter April 2024



## Week 1 – Earth Science - Clouds

The children will learn about the common objects they see in the sky.

Shape of the week: Round

Color of the week: White

Letter of the week: Cc

Number of the week: 2

Art: Cotton Ball Clouds, Shaving Cream Delight, White Collage, Round and Round, Ice Cookies  
Math: Sizes, Felt Board, File Folders Games, Sorting, Matching

Songs & Finger plays: White, Two by Two, Round and Round, Walk Among the Clouds, Pairs, Whether the Weather



## Week 2 – Earth Science - Rainbows

The children will learn about objects in the sky.

Shape of the week: Round

Color of the week: White

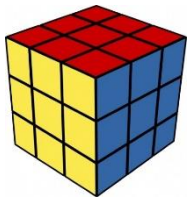
Letter of the week: Cc

Number of the week: 2

Art: Ribbon Rainbows, Rainbow Color Bags, Coloring with Crayons, Chalk Drawings, Color Creations

Math: Play dough, Picking Board, File Folder Games, Sorting, Matching

Songs & Finger plays: Rainbow Dance, Children Have, Children Children, Push the Wall, Up Down Turn Around, Little Drops of Water



## Week 3 – Earth Science - Wind

The children will learn about the common objects they see in the sky.

Shape of the week: Cube

Color of the week: Black

Letter of the week: Dd

Number of the week: 10

Art: Wind Drawing, Wind Socks, Ice Cube Painting, Black Collage, Cube Mural

Math: Folding, Matching, File Folder Games, Sorting, Play dough

Songs & Finger plays: The Wind is Blowing, Clap Ten Times, Blow Blow Blow, Dancin' with the wind, Directions, North Wind



## Week 4 – Earth Science - Shadows

The children will participate in activities to explore the concepts of the day and night.

Shape of the week: Cube

Color of the week: Black

Letter of the week: Dd

Number of the week: 10

Art: Sha-dough, Drip Drop Drizzle, Shadow Catchers, Cube Dribbling, Shadow Drawing

Math: Matching, One-to-One Correspondence, Sets, File Folder Games, Sorting

Songs & Finger plays: Tap it Out, Doodlim', Cube Dance, Drive, Ten in the Bed, My Shadow



## Week 5:- Children's Authors – Donald Crews - Flying

The learning objective for this week will be to review the book "Flying" by Donald Crews.

Shape of the week: Octagon

Color of the week: Burgundy

Letter of the week: Uu

Number of the week: Third

Math Activities: Patterning, Serration, File Folder Games, Matching, Sorting

Art Activities: Burgundy Collage, Airplane in the Sunset, Fly Baby Fly, Octagons Everywhere, Wet or Dry?

Rhymes, Songs & Finger plays: The Flying Pig, The Vowel Song, Flying Flying Flying

Talk with your child about: flying. Have you ever visited an airport?, Do you know anyone who can fly a plane?



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## Preschool 3 Newsletter April 2024



### Week 3 – Easter

Here comes Peter Cottontail with loads of learning fun. This week will include many “egg-citing” things.

Activities:

...sand dot number cards for the number 7

...make rabbit prints with cookie cutters  
 ...glue vegetable colors to the letter W  
 ...correspondence of sets, egg matching & play rabbit tag  
 ...group veggie seeds in groups of 7  
 ...mix colors on egg shaped

coffee filters

...have an egg rolling contest

Letter of the Week: Ww

Count on Math: Patterning

Number Review: 7

Songs & Finger plays: Did you ever see a Rabbit? Five Little Eggs, Kitty & Bunny, 12345

**Bring a magazine clipping of something that begins with the letter W or a favorite Easter picture to school on Friday to share with the class.**

### Week 1 – Pets

Children can form a special bond with their pets that they will hold dear for a lifetime. We will learn more about pets and pet care this week.

Activities:

...cutting & gluing a pet collage

...have a pet show-n-tell

...plan a pet show

...group pet food items in groups of 8

...glue craft sticks to the letter W

...design a feeding chart for pets

Letter of the Week: Ww

Count on Math: Patterning

Number Review: 8

Songs & Finger plays: Rags, Six Little Pets, Have you ever seen a Rabbit?, Sammy, If I were

**Bring a magazine clipping of something that begins with the letter W or a picture of your favorite pet to school on Friday to share with the class.**



### Week 2 – Dogs

Where, oh where has my little dog gone? We'll find our dogs and many other this week as we learn more about man's best friend.

Activities:

...create dog puppets

...make an easel bone painting

...paint with water colors on the letter Ww

...group water drops in groups of 8

...have a number hunt

...make paw prints

Letter of the Week: Ww

Count on Math: Patterning

Number Review: 8

Frisky's Doghouse

**Bring a magazine clipping of something that begins with the letter W or a picture of a dog to school on Friday to share with the class.**

### Week 4 – Cats

Lost your mittens? We'll be finding them this week as we visit with our cuddly friend the cat.

Activities:

...make a cat mask

...create a kitty in free art

buttoning

...make paw prints

...practice buttoning

...paint beautiful colors on the letter X

...do a pom-pom painting

Letter of the Week: Xx

Count on Math: Patterning

Number Review: 9

Songs & Finger plays: Two Little Kittens, Kitty

Mrs. Kitty's Dinner, A Kitten

**Bring a magazine clipping of something that begins with the letter X or a picture of a cat to school on Friday to share with the class**



### Week 5 – Birds

My, how this year is flying by. And speaking of flying, we will be discovering more of those wonderful creatures that do exactly that...fly.

Activities:

...create a class bird feeder

...make an egg shell collage

...work small motor skills by feather painting

...group sunflower seeds in groups of 10

...glue yarn on the letter Y

...decorate hard boiled eggs for snack

...play “hen & hawk” tag game

Letter of the Week: Yy

Count on Math: Patterning

Songs & Fingerplays: 2 Little Black Birds, Bird Feeder, If I were a Bird, Tap Tap Tap & Stretch, The Duck, The Owl Houses

**Bring a magazine clipping of something that begins with the letter Y or a picture of a bird to school on Friday to share with the class**

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