

Blue Puppy Lesson Plans

MONTH: April

THEME: Spring is here!

OBJECTIVES/GOALS:

Starting April 8th we will celebrate Week Of the Young Child with a variety of activities that offer exploration. The puppies will look at the signs of spring through books and pictures. We will use flowers to identify colors, plant some grass and watch it grow. Look at things in nature (Earth Day) and talk about the weather.

GATHERING TIME:

BOOKS: Spring has Sprung, Welcome Spring, Rain Rain Go Away, Little Cloud,

SONGS: I got the Whole World in my Hands, ABC's, Its raining, If all the Rain Drops,

9.1.M YT.B,E

FINE MOTOR:

Lacing beads, play-doh, Duplos, manipulating art materials, puzzles, people, cars, and animals, stacking blocks, shape sorters, Mega blocks

GROSS MOTOR:

Running, climbing, riding trikes, dancing with scarves/steamers, throwing/kicking balls, jumping.

(9.1M YT.A,B,E,J) (9.3 YT.G) (10.4 YT.A-B)

ART ACTIVITIES:

We offer art 3 days a week with the use of crayons and finger paint, paint brushes, and other mediums. These are just some of the ideas we have planned.

- Paint flowers
- Paint rain drops
- Color a paper plate umbrella
- Paint a paper plate Earth
- Make a group collage
- Make a paper plate flower
- Grow grass
- Paint eggs

LANGUAGE/COMMUNICATION

Singing songs, reading books, asking questions, repeating, encouraging words, praising for nice words with friends

(1.1 YT.C) (1.2 YT.B,C,E,J) (1.3 YT.J,K) (1.5 YT.A,C,D,E)

DRAMATIC PLAY

Exploring different foods, house hold items such as pots/pans, utensils, phones, baby bottles, keys, computer, lanterns. Baby dolls, blankets, baby carriers, and dress up

5.2 YT.C

Family Participation:

Keep a look out for conference sign up-April 25

COGNITIVE/

PROBLEM SOLVING

Aid in rote counting, color recognition, shapes, opposites, and matching games/activities. We have been talking a lot about taking turns and sharing. Giving alternatives/suggestions during play.

SOCIAL/EMOTIONAL:

Encouraging group play and nice touches such as hugs, and using "words". Positive praise for those attempts. Talking the child through problems.

PBIS

We are focusing on being SAFE this month. We make sure we are taking care of ourself by using walking feet inside, sitting in our chairs, eating with a calm body and in other ways so we don't get hurt.

(16.1 YT.A-C,E) (16.2 YT.A-E) (16.3 YT.A-C)

SELF HELP SKILLS:

We will be teaching the children put their coats on using the "flip" method and take them off independently. self feeding, helping with clean up.

(10.2 YT.A) (10.5 YT.C)