

Clubhouse Capers



Infants (6 weeks - 15 months)

Spring has been a busy time in the nursery. We celebrated a birthday. We have had several of the babies reach milestones of crawling, walking (with a walker), taking steps on their own, sitting up and rolling over. Never a dull moment when working with babies!!

We have taken a few walks to get out and enjoy the beautiful weather we had. Inside we play, read books and sing songs. We made tootsie tulips cards for Mother's Day. We really enjoyed having some of our mommies help out on the day of the Staff Appreciation luncheon. It is fun to see our mommies (and daddies) during the day.



Toddlers (15 months – 2 yrs old)

This Spring has been a busy time in the toddler room. We helped Ethan and Dylan celebrated their 2nd birthdays in April. We enjoyed field trips to Miller Park Zoo and to the park. Some special activities included an Easter Egg Hunt and our Mother's Day Tea.



Two Year Olds

We have had a great couple of months. We welcomed some new friends into our room from the Toddler room, as well as, said good-bye to some friends that transitioned into the three's room. In March we celebrated March Madness by doing some “funky” art projects and wearing mis-matched clothes and even P.J.s on some days. All of the twos looked great for crazy hair day. Many of the boys came in with spikey hair and a lot of the girls had numerous pony tails in their hair. They enjoyed making crazy clowns for art on this day with wild hair and crazy shapes for the face.

In April we focused on Spring. We did raindrop art projects and did watercolor painting. As the weather warmed up we were outside almost everyday. We were even able to go to the park for a field trip. One of our favorite art projects this month was a water color rainbow. The kids enjoyed seeing their rainbows on the wall and being able to show their parents which one was theirs.

In May we focused on Dinosaurs. We used bubble wrap to paint a Brontosaurus and sponge-painted a Stegosaurus. We even made and ate a prehistoric snack that had dinosaur fruit snacks in it. We also took a field trip to the zoo and had a picnic lunch as well. On the rainy days the kids enjoyed playing musical chairs and follow the leader.

In the coming months we will be learning about farm animals and different types of transportation. We will also continue to work on our letter recognition as well as learning to write the first letter of our first names. We will also be starting our swim days soon, which will be fun. We are also planning a field trip to a sprinkler park soon.



Three-Year Olds

We have had an enjoyable and busy past 3 months. In March we celebrated March Madness. Every day was a different theme. Some of our favorites included crazy hair day, Wacky Wednesday, Western Day and Zoo Day. On Zoo Day the Miller Park Zoo came to us and brought a few animals for the kids to see and even touch if they wanted to. We also had a green party for St. Patrick's Day. A leprechaun turned the milk green on that day. How exciting that was!! Another one of the special March Madness days was Pizza day on this day we went to Chuck E. Cheeses and ate pizza and played.

In April we celebrated Easter with some very special art projects and had a party. We had yummy treats and hunted for eggs. The kids had so much fun. They love having parties!! We also made rain, clouds, umbrellas and rainbows. We practiced writing our letters and numbers in shaving cream. What a fun way to learn.

In May we celebrated Mother's Day. We made pretty flowers and a hand print card for the moms. We also went to Culvers for lunch with our moms. We had a really nice time and the kids enjoyed eating lunch with their mommies. Our art activities included flowers, butterflies, and bird nests. We also took a field trip to a park to play.



Young Fours

In April we took a journey into space. We learned about stars, planets and the moon. We even went on “Teddy's Quest” at ISU's Planetarium.

Then April showers brought our quest for May flowers. We grew seedlings from seeds and planted a tomato and marigold garden. The kids can hardly wait to see how many tomatoes grow. We also talked about how the birds



start from eggs before they grow into birds.

In June we will visit farms and the zoo and learn about various animals. We will begin learning about some common animals and will expand to exotic animals.

Through all of this we will continue to work on our letter recognition and sounds.



Preschool (4-5 year olds)

The past couple of months have been extremely busy for the preschool class. We were so happy to see Spring finally arrive. It has been so nice to be able to go outside and enjoy this fabulous weather.



We have enjoyed studying about Transportation and Animals (pets, zoo, and farm) these past few weeks. We had a great time riding the city bus and we recently enjoyed trips to the Humane Society, Miller Park Zoo, and Ropp Cheese Farm.



We helped Hayden, Emma, and Eli all celebrate the 5th birthdays. In May we had a wonderful Mother's Day Celebration and took our Moms to lunch at Culvers. It was so much fun.

We are really looking forward to the arrival of Summer and lots of outside time, field trips, and water play days. We are just a few short months away from starting Kindergarten.

School-Age Program

The school-agers celebrated Christmas in March by making a quilt to donate to Project Linus (an organization that gives blankets to children who are severely ill or have been through some kind of tragedy or trauma). Over spring break we went to see the movie, "Diary of a Wimpy Kid". We also had a build your own sundae bar. Some of the topping combinations were definitely unique! Throughout the month of April we did spring art projects, ranging from a watercolor painting to crayon-melt abstracts. As the school year came to a close we talked about our plans for the summer. The kids all brainstormed ideas for our summer units. We are very excited to start going swimming and work on our special interest units for the summer. All the kids agreed they are definitely ready for summer vacation! At the end of the school year we said "good-bye" to Spencer. He has been a student at Clubhouse since he was in the nursery and now he is moving on to junior high. We wish him all the best. We'll miss you Spencer!

