

CLASSROOM NEWS

Bunny Room: In the month of February, our theme will be *Love is in the Air!* You are welcome to bring in Valentines for 4 children. All are old enough to eat simple snacks if you wish to share, although not necessary. This month we will be working on stacking blocks, walking, talking, repeating sounds as well as signing the word "more". We will also work on pointing with our pointer finger and playing peek-a-boo! We look forward to new sensory bottles, finger painting and playing with yarn.

Ladybug Room: Our February theme is *Be Mine!* We will see lots of hearts this month and will be looking for the colors red and pink. We will also work on verbalizing our friends' names and doing a Valentine exchange! We will also be making a homemade pudding Play-Doh which includes ¼ cup on instant pudding mix, 1 cup corn starch and a 1/3 cup warm water. You can add food coloring or essential oils! We are looking forward to a February warm-up but please remember to continue to send a coat, snowpants, hats and mittens daily as we do try to get outside every day! Happy Birthday to Charlotte on February 11th!

Turtle Room: Our February themes are *Crazy Colors, Happy Valentine's Day, If you Give a ..., Three Little Pigs & More!* We will be working on the letter V, number 9, heart shapes, and the colors red, pink and purple. We also are going to focus on sharing and giving to others! We are going to work on using our words and gentle hands with our friends. We are looking forward to a Valentine exchange and party. Remember show & tell on Wednesdays and book days on Thursdays. Some of our Turtle friends recently moved into the Bee Room, so we have a smaller class size temporarily and will be taking advantage of that and working on some new small group activities and ideas! For our *Crazy Color* theme, the week of February 3-7th, please have your child wear their favorite colors or crazy colors throughout the week!

Bumblebee Room: *Dental Health, Valentines, Feelings & Friendships and Fairytales* are our themes that we are looking forward to this month! Our focus this month is on the letters M, N, V, W, the colors red & pink, diamond and heart shapes as well as recognizing the numbers 1-10. Our goal of being 4K ready by fall will continue with recognizing the letters in our name and writing our name. Our new dramatic play area for the month will be a flower shop! If you have any fake flowers to add to our shop, we will gladly take them! We will also be decorating Valentine bags for our party on the 14th. If your child does not attend on Fridays, we will save their Valentines for them! There will be a sign up for goodies for the party. Important February dates: February 4th: Dental visit & writing thank you notes for Thank a Mail Carrier Day, February 7th: Wear red, February 14th: Valentine Party, February 20th: Comfy Day, wear your sweats or PJ's, February 26th: Making pictures for the nursing home, February 28th: Bring your favorite fairy tale book.

Giraffe Room: We have some fun February themes planned! *Sleeping through Winter (Hibernation), Love & Kindness (Valentine's Day), Our Country Tis of Thee (Presidents & USA), and Thanks for Helping (Community Helpers)* are going to be the themes we focus on this month. We will be working on the letters S, R, A, K, the numbers 7 & 8, the heart shape and the colors of red, pink and purple. We will be decorating bags and writing valentines for our Valentine party on Friday, the 14th. There will be a sign up for goodies for our Valentine party. We are looking forward to our Bumblebee Book Buddies and indoor "snowball" fights on the cold days. Parents, please empty artwork from cubbies daily or they get too full! We also are in need of any stationary, old postcards, greeting cards, or envelopes for our new dramatic play area of a Post Office. Happy Birthday to Everick on February 9th and Mila on February 12th!