

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 Dr. Day Care is closed to observe New Year's Day – enjoy!	2 "G" is for gluing, using various shapes that we have learned about, to create snowflakes (CA, PH, M) *	3 Introducing STEAM concepts by working inside a boundary to build upwards using recycled materials (S, M, CA)	4 Celebrating our color of the month, blue (azul), to help differentiate colors (S, CD)
<i>Ask Your Child/Car Chatter: Ask your child about what shapes he/she sees in your home</i>				
7 Learning our song of the month, "Dr. Day Care Is My School" to encourage language development – see back (LD, SE, SS)	8 Exploring different painting tools: using a Q-tip to paint inside stencils of a number 1 and 12 (M, CA) *	9 Enjoying a book from author of the month, Andrea Beaty (L, LD)	10 Practicing greetings in Spanish during Circle Time: "Good morning" = "Buenos dias" and "Good afternoon" = "Buenas tardes" (LD, L)	11 Refining scissor skills to cut an oval that we will paint blue (M, PH)
<i>Ask Your Child/Car Chatter: Sing the song of the month with you child on the way to and from Dr. Day Care</i>				
14 "Q" is for quilt: encouraging teamwork while we work together to create a classroom quilt (SE, SS, CA, M)	15 Healthy habit focus: exercising our large muscles while we focus on jumping with two feet on and off a balance beam (PH, M)	16 Mixing and measuring to create our own blue playdough and using it to construct the numerals 1 and 2 (S, M)	17 Becoming artists: using oval shapes to create snowmen and adding facial features to express emotions (CA, SE) *	18 PBIS Focus: Edgar says be responsible to clean up our toys after playing (SE, SS)
<i>Ask Your Child/Car Chatter: Practice jumping on either one or two feet with your child</i>				
21 Dr. Day Care is closed to observe Martin Luther King Day – enjoy!	22 Imagine and make it – designing a ball run to test frictions of the speed of the balls to make engineering come alive (M, S)	23 Incorporating multiple languages by signing Dr. Day Care and snow during transition times (LD, SS, PH)	24 "O" is for owl: exploring textures while we create our own snow owls (CA, S) *	25 Observing the wonders of nature as we turn snow into food – making ice cream from snow and then comparing it to store bought ice cream (S, C)
<i>Ask Your Child/Car Chatter: Sign the words of the month with your child (see the back of the calendar)</i>				
28 Practicing phonological awareness while we cut out objects that begin with our letters of the month (L, PH)	29 Good deed focus: counting how many canned goods we have collected to bring to a food pantry (SS, M)	30 A race to the melt: using different substances predicting what will melt ice the fastest? (S, M)	31 Creating a literacy-based art project from author of the month, Andrea Beaty (L, CA) *	
<i>Ask Your Child/Car Chatter: Read a book by author of the month with your child</i>				

"Ask Your Child/Car Chatter"

Use these questions or suggestions to help your child make connections from school to home by talking about what was learned in school, connecting play to school concepts, and more!

Rhode Island Early Learning & Development Standards (RIELDS) Domains:

(Denotes calendar activities that are aligne with the RIELDS)

- CA – Creative Arts
- CD – Cognitive Development
- PH – Physical Health and Motor Development
- L – Literacy
- LD – Language Development
- M – Mathematics
- S – Science
- SE – Social and Emotional Development
- SS – Social Studies

Early Learning standards articulate shared expectations for what young children should know and be able to do. They provide a common language for measuring progress towards specific learning goals.



Curriculum Calendar

*denotes take home project that will be placed in your child's mailbox

Concepts of the Month

Topic of the Month: Imagine It and Make It

Visit our website to see videos of our Curriculum Concepts! 

Color: blue- azul

Shape: oval = ovalado

Numbers: 1 & 12

Letters: G, O, & Q

Spanish Words: Good morning = Buenos dias Good afternoon = Buenas tardes

Sight Words: once first

Author of the Month:

Andrea Beaty

Suggested books to read together:

Artist Ted

Hide and Sheep

Doctor Ted

Hush

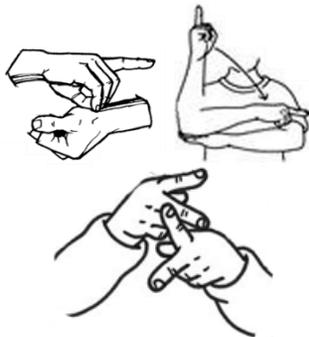
Firefighter Ted

When Giants Come to Play

Sign Language:

Dr. Day Care

Snow



Song of the Month: Dr. Day Care Is My School

Sung to the tune of Oh My Darling Clementine

Dr. Day Care, Dr. Day Care

Dr. Day Care is my school.

Every day we learn and play

Dr. Day Care is my school.

We are safe, we are kind

We are all responsible

I am smarter than I was yesterday

Dr. Day Care is my school.

Metric Concept: Units of measurement

Teaching young children about metrics and units of measurement can easily happen using every day objects through block and lego play, cooking and baking, observing nature and even knitting!

Yoga Pose:

Bridge



Spotlight on.... Math



The development of mathematical knowledge and skills contributes to children's ability to make sense of the world and to solve problems they encounter in their everyday lives. Knowledge of basic math concepts and the skill to use math operations to solve problems are fundamental aspects of school readiness and are predictive of later success in school and in life.