



# Welcome to Clewell's Corner! The one stop shop for all the news & happenings in room 101!





My child is only at school ½ day and it's too cold to go out at play-- What Can my child be practicing at home?

Now that we are moving into the second half of the school year your children may be outgrowing a nap or may like to practice some of our school activities at home. While I am a HUGE proponent of outdoor play being the first go to activity, here are a few things you and your child can be working on at home and how they can be differentiated if your child has already mastered the FIRST part of the below activities.

So my suggestions? Outside FIRST, school practice, SECOND:)

Beginning Skills		Bridging Skills	Expanding Skills	
1	Writing first name in all uppercase letters	Writing last name in all uppercase letters	Writing first name in Upper and lowercase letter.	
		-Write first and last name all at once	Example: Billy	
2	Identifying Numbers 1-10 by pointing to them.	Ordering numbers 1-10 using magnet numbers, number cards, etc.	Identifying numbers 1-20 and ordering them at the same time.	
3	Identify letters of the alphabet	Identify all letters of the alphabet and identify the sounds they make	When given a letter, student will identify the sound and a corresponding word that begins with the same sound.	

### KINDNESS WEEK!

The last week in January OHES held a school wide KINDNESS week Our amazing school counselors, Ms. Senatra and Ms. Vail encouraged the school through daily activities to focus on being kind to both ourselves and others. We worked hard together as a class to learn what kindness means. Students created hearts and brainstormed how they could be kind "Play together", "Share!", "Say something nice", "tell a friend you will always be there" were just a few that were decided upon. We also drew pictures in our writing journals about a time we have been kind to others. We had lots of drawings of kids helping their parents--we LOVED to see this! Take a look at our kindness collage :)



## MATH IN PIZE-SCHOOL

The NJ preschool standards focus on 4 standards for mathematics which we follow within my classroom.



#### Early childhood mathematics should emphasize:

- number
- spatial relations and measurement
  - geometry

#### With a top priority of developing:

- children's sense of number as quantity
   And underscoring the importance of
  - mathematical practice skills.

Young children need ongoing opportunities to develop their mathematical thinking. In addition to daily opportunities for independent choice and exploration, preschool classroom time should be regularly allotted for in depth, small group math experiences that encourage children to interact, pursue problem solving strategies and reflect. When our students are in small groups, I target very specific skills to help with reasoning BEYOND rote memory of numbers, quantities and counting. When children learn to problem solve they understand how numbers work.











### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE RESCINITI FAMILY...WELCOME BABYI

January was not only a busy month in room 101 but it was also an exciting month for our sweet friend, MAEVE!

She and her family welcomed baby Finn to their family of 4!

Maeve is VERY proud to expand her big sister role to being in charge of 2 little brothers.

Congratulations to the Resciniti family and a warm welcome to our very special preschool family.



## A PEEK INTO OUTZ MONTH...A VETZY BUSY BUNCH!















Spread the word about our Pre-School to your friends and neighbors! We are hosting a open house for prospective families in February. (see flyer below) Please share if you can!



Orchard Hill Elementary School
CUBS CLUB Pre-School Program
Welcomes you to our
OPEN HOUSE!

Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup> 6:30-7:30pm Orchard Hill Elementary School

If you are looking for a pre-school program for your 3 or 4 year old, please come meet our teachers and learn more about our program!

This night is for <u>adults only</u> so that we can share with you our curriculum, daily schedule, and to provide you with a peek inside of our classrooms!







Sludents must be 3 by October 1, 20P and polly trained. Optional transportation included for additional fee.

## FEBRUARY



SUN	MON	TUES	WEDS	THURS	FRI	SAT
Februa	class par ry 14 <sup>h</sup> .Pl your child Befor	Day 2	2			
3	rt pañ 3	5 Day 4	6 Day 5	7 Day 6	8 Day 1	q
Letter	Caring Day- Wear RED					Happy Birthday, Vardhan & Liam!
10	II Day 2	12 Day 3	13 Day 4	14 Day 5	15	16
Letter W		<b>©</b>	Day of school		2000 2000	
17	18	19 Day 6	20 Day 1	21 Day 2	22 Day 3 Happy	23
Letter W cont	achoou's OUTI				Birthday, Maeve! Spirit Dayl	
24	25 Day 4	26 Day 5	27 Day 6	28 Day 1	Rea	ğ
Letter X	HOW TO DAY!	Wall to Wall Reading	WACKY WEDNESDAY!	Extra Play time!	Acro Am Friday, M	erica
	R	edd Across I	PAJAM	A day!		