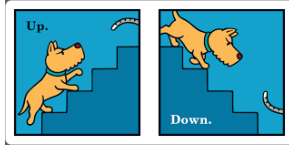


curriculum info for: february

Hearts and Hugs & Opposites Attract



During the beginning of the month, information about hearts and symbols of Valentine's Day will be shared. The children will be encouraged to find special ways to show their loved ones they care.

And then we will learn all about opposites with some fun activities that examine how two things can be very different. Large and small, on and off, hot and cold, and fast and slow are just a few examples of the concepts that will be studied during this time.

Continue at Home

How can you continue at home what is being experienced during the school day?

- If possible, have your child help you prepare cards or treats to share with friends and relatives for Valentine's Day. Visit with your child about each special person as you are creating his or her gift.
- February is Children's National Dental Health Month. Encourage your child to brush at least twice a day. It is recommended that toothpaste not be used until the age of two years, and only an amount the size of a pea is needed. Introduce flossing and rinsing if your child is not already familiar with them. Encourage your family to choose healthy snacks.
- Point out opposites throughout the day as you notice them. Doors can be open or closed. The temperature can be warm or cold. Snacks may be sweet or salty. Try to find opposites that can be experienced with all of these senses. Act out opposites. Practice being quiet and loud while clapping, stomping, talking, or singing. Open and close hands, eyes, and mouths. Walk, run, dance, and hop fast and slow.

December Areas of Focus

Letters

P, Q, R

Shape & Color



Nursery Rhyme



Diddle, Diddle Dumping

Numbers

13, 14

Nature Room



Flowers & Plant Growth

Books, Books, Books

- The Way I Love You by David Bedford
- The Colors of Us Counting Kisses by Karen Katz
- A Book of Hugs by Dave Ross
- Eric Carle's Opposites by Eric Carle
- Opposites by Robert Crowther
- Exactly the Opposite by Tana Hoban
- What's Opposite? By Steven R. Swinburne

Everyday Spanish

- Walk – Caminar
- Run – Correr
- Jump – Saltar
- Dance – Bailar