

Chebeague Pre-K News – December 6, 2013

During the last week of November my camera was set on manual instead of automatic so those photos are super dark.

On 12/5 we visited the Island Commons. The children shared their Humpty Dumpty Eggs and poem (part of our work with magnets), played cards with them, sang, danced and played Dreidel, Dreidel, who has the Dreidel which is a hide and seek game. The children cherish their time with the residents.



Cultural: Geography - We finished up our volcano and inside the earth studies by making the layers of the earth with play dough and then slicing them in half with fishing line. Lots of fine motor skills got some practice in this project too.



Fine motor practice squeezing a turkey baster - just in time for Thanksgiving



Cultural - History: Days of the week
There is one piece of pie for each day. Sequence them and then sing the days of the week song. They have a control chart to check their work that you can see off to the side.



Cultural - Celebrations: Hanukkah - Teamwork making a menorah: Two thumbs form the Shamash leaving 8 fingers for the remaining candles. They loved using bright highlighters to "light" the candles.



Language: Matching short phonetic words to the correct objects



Math: Making big numbers with concrete representations of numerals. Each cube is 1000. Each child drew a number and then constructed it.



History / Math: Some have shown a big interest in clocks. This is a matching work of time to the hour. Analog to digital



Science & Math: With some help from Celia and two fourth graders we pulled the trap at Chandlers, sorted and then recorded how many of the different sizes and sex. It was a great hands on use of our beginning knowledge of tally marks. 1,2,3,4, shut the door.



Cultural - Celebrations: Hanukkah Dreidel game



Fine motor- squeezing: Basting now involves transferring the liquid from one jar to another



Science: physical science. Our new unit is about magnetism.

Calendar Updates

- Dec. 13: St. Lucia Day
- Dec. 17: Winter concert - community invited
- Dec. 21: Winter Solstice
- Dec 21-Jan 5: Holiday break

*Thank you for sharing your children!
Miss Nancy*