



Classroom Connections

Connecting Home and School

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Week of: 10/28/19

Our Current Study: Bread

Focus Question of the Week:

How do we eat bread/When do we eat bread?

Daily Questions we explored:

What do you eat with your bread?

Have you ever tried bread like this?

Which would you eat at a picnic?

When do you eat this bread?

Which bread was your favorite?

What we learned this week:

This week the children talked all about pizza! We created pizza in many forms in the art area, we took votes on our favorite toppings and we even got to make Boboli Pizza's! We learned how to braid bread in small groups and in art. We also used playdough to create other types of 3-D Bread Art. The children also learned about non standard measuring tools in small groups and how that incorporates into cooking.

Big Day Pre-K Letter of The week: Aa-Ee.

Second Steps Lesson: Self Talk

Self instruction, or self-talk, is an important tool children use to help them listen, focus attention and learn. Most young children talk to themselves much of the time as they are doing activities or playing with friends. Over time, children typically internalize self-talk and no longer speak aloud to themselves.

Skills we practiced:

- **Writing:** The children have been practicing on their fine motor strength. This week in the areas the children were able to put their practice to use. In dramatic play, they pretended to run a restaurant and take orders by writing in a note pad. In writing the children were given name boards to practice writing their name and they created flyers inviting their families to our bake sale next week!

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Daily Questions we will explore:

Have you ever tried bread like this?

Which would you eat at a picnic?

When do you eat this bread?

Things to do together at home:

Read stories that rhyme to your children. After you've read the story a few times, pause at the end of a line and allow for your child to fill in the missing rhyming word!

Some of our favorites: *Llama, Llama, Red Pajama, Chicka, Chicka, Boom, Boom* and *Good Night Moon!*

Things to bring to school:

The weather is changing, please be sure that your child's extra set of clothes is tolerable of the colder weather and is labeled with their name!