

Lowville Classroom News



Investigations

We have begun participating in an investigation of buildings because the children have been asking questions about buildings. They want to know the height of the building, what it is made of, how strong it is, how many windows does it have and what do you do inside the building. We have focused on buildings that are in our community and buildings in places far away.

We used a map to see our Head Start building and the neighborhood around our school. We also looked at a photo book of Lowville and recognized many different buildings such as the Post Office, the Library, Lowville Academy, Walmart, Kraft and of course, McDonalds!

During this investigation the children have taken part in activities that have allowed them to build, measure, draw

Math

During morning calendar time we practice number recognition, counting and turn taking. We have also been using a ten frame to assist in showing the children how many a number equals. For example, the number 2 is shown on a ten frame as 2 squares out of 10 colored in.

After reading the story, The Three Little Pigs, we discussed the materials that the pigs used to build their individual houses. Through discussion and story recall we learned that straw was the lightest material and bricks/stone was the heaviest material.

We experimented building with foam, wood and plastic blocks, blowing and knocking them down. We really liked being the big bad wolf!



Books We Read

The Three Little Pigs
House, Sweet House

Rainbow Write

Physical

We continue to strengthen our fine motor skills by practicing rainbow letter and number writing. We are learning how to correctly hold crayons and how to print letters. We always begin our letters at the top and use rhymes to help with knowing how to print the numbers. We have been printing the numbers 3 and 4. We love the rhyme for the number 3..."around a tree, around a tree, that's the way I make a three!" Ask us to show you how to make a three and say the rhyme with us. We think you will be surprised at how well we can print this

*Reading aloud
is an investment
in your child's
future.*

Nutrition

The children are helping Mrs. Moshier set the tables as they arrive in the mornings. Everyone has been doing such a great job!

This week the class made gingerbread men and houses. They were used to decorate a Friendship Tree and entered it in the Historical Society's gingerbread house contest. We invited our grandparents for breakfast on Nov. 16th and then visited the Historical Society to view the Christmas trees, winter train village and all of the gingerbread houses. Families can still see our gingerbread tree at the Lewis County Historical Society's Home for the Holidays Festival, November 23rd and 24th.





Science

Our calendar time has also included an opportunity to learn about the seasons and the weather. It is fun to be the weather person, or meteorologist and deliver the weather. New vocabulary introduced at this time is cloudy, snowy, sunny, windy and rainy. We are all hoping for a lot of snowy weather!

Literacy

We have been busy learning new rainbow letters and more letters in our names. We printed the letters V and X and learned the sound each one makes. We used our building investigation to make name towers during our small group time. We printed the letters of our name on squares, placed them in left to right sequence and then displayed them to create a city of towers. We counted the letters and discovered which name had the tallest tower (most letters) and the shortest tower. (least

Thank You!

Thank you to all for taking time to meet with the teachers for Parent-Teacher conferences. We appreciate your input and interest in your child's experience at Head Start.

Let's get ready to play in the snow!

1	2	3	4	5
				
snow pants	boots	coat	hat	gloves

Cold Weather is Here!

As you know, outdoor play is a part of our daily schedule. We go outside for exercise and fresh air everyday. Please be sure to send your child to school dressed in a warm coat, snow pants, boots, hat and mittens.

If you do not have any of these items, please call the center and talk to a teacher. We have many ex-



Upcoming Dates

November 22–25, 2018
No School, Thanksgiving Recess

