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WHAT WE LEARN THROUGH PLAY

This month's topic: **Play Dough**

- Concepts of shapes, length, height, big and small
- To see negative space as cookie cutter shapes are taken out
- To express feelings when squeezing and pounding
- To exercise self-expression and creativity
- That the amount of substance remains the same even when shaped differently
- It will also help to develop their social and language skills through interactions with others
- Hand eye coordination
- Fine motor muscles in the hands used to grip a pencil
- Math/measuring
- They learn to share and cooperate with others



BOOK HIGHLIGHTS

Clifford's First Autumn

by Norman Bridwell

Leap into autumn with Clifford the Small Red Puppy as he sniffs the falling leaves and watches the seasons change for the very first time.

Autumn Walk

by Ann Burg

Autumn is here! Let's take a walk. Where will we go and what will we find? Frolic with the puppy in a red, gold, and crunchy autumn world!

Halloween

by Salina Yoon

Children will love peeking inside a jack- o'- lantern, a sack of treats, a cookie jar, and more! Monsters, ghosts, and goblins haunt throughout the book.



Quote of the month

“The essence of intelligence is skill in extracting meaning from everyday experience.” - Unknown



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Tell Me What You Did Today.

When children come home at the end of the day,
The question they're asked as they scurry to play
is, "Tell me what you did today?"
And the answer they give makes you sigh with dismay.
"Nothing, I did nothing today!"

Perhaps nothing means that I played with blocks,
Or counted to ten, or sorted some rocks.
Maybe I painted a picture of red and blue
Or heard a story of a mouse that flew.

Maybe I watched the gerbils eat today,
Or went outside on the swings to play.

Maybe today was the very first time
That my scissors followed a very straight line.

Maybe I lead a song from beginning to end,
Or played with a special brand new friend.

When you're in day care
And your heart has wings,
"Nothing" can mean so many things!!



Until Next Time...

Here's to a great month full of *FUN* and *ENERGY!*

Recipe:

Easy Pumpkin Cupcakes

You will need:

1 package (18.25 oz.) spice cake mix
1 can (15 oz.) Pumpkin
3 large eggs
1/3 cup vegetable oil
1/3 cup water
1 (16 oz.) container prepared cream cheese or vanilla frosting

Preheat oven to 350°F. Paper - line or grease 24 muffin cups.

Mix cake mix, pumpkin, eggs, vegetable oil and water in large mixer bowl until moistened. Beat on medium speed for 2 minutes. Pour batter into prepared muffin cups, filling 3/4 full.

Bake for 18 to 23 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool in pans on wire racks for 10 minutes; remove to wire racks to cool completely. Spread cupcakes with frosting. Decorate with assorted sprinkles, if desired.