This month in the classroom…

We will learn the alphabet letters H, I & J and the numbers 5 & 6.

In Social Studies we will learn about Brazil. If you have anything about Brazil that we can share with the children, please notify Mrs. Webster.

In Music Appreciation we will study classical music by learning about the composer Johann Sebastian Bach. We will also be learning about church music and we'll see and hear the church organ.

Our November sight words are “in” and “no”.

We continue our self-esteem unit by talking about thankfulness.

Our author of the month is David Shannon.

Our artist of the month is Jackson Pollock.

We will celebrate Thanksgiving with a party and pow-wow for the children during class time.

Needed This Month

Please send in a clean, solid color pillowcase (white or light color preferred, no shams), labeled with your child’s name. They will be cut and the children will paint them to make an Indian vest for our Thanksgiving Pow-Wow.

A small empty round oatmeal container (about 18 oz.) with a lid is also needed for a drum craft this month. Please write your child’s name on the bottom of the container.

"Always give thanks to God the Father for everything.”

Ephesians 5:20

Thankfulness is the attitude of a happy heart. Let us share our grateful thoughts for blessings big and small with our children. This will help them develop a spirit of gratitude and joy.
Manna House
Tiny Tot School is providing a bin outside the classrooms for anyone wishing to donate canned goods for Manna House. This soup kitchen helps feed the homeless of Harford County.
As we count our blessings this month, let’s help our children learn to share with those in need. Please consider asking your child to select a non-perishable food item from your pantry or while grocery shopping. Then bring it to school for our Manna House collection bins. Thank you!

Reminders
Please help your child’s classroom teachers by taking your child to use the bathroom before class begins. This helps us to start the day ready to learn.
Check your child’s jackets to make sure they are labeled with your child’s name.

It is the beginning of the holiday seasons and if you would like a little extra time in the mornings, you can take advantage of Early Drop Off. Email tinytots@baumc.com to sign up. Early Drop Off is available for only $5 on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8:30 - 9:00 a.m.

Be sure to follow us on Facebook to see the children at work and play.

STEM Activities for Kids
STEM education integrates two or more of these disciplines: Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math. Preschool children naturally engage in STEM activities as they explore, collect, sort, build, knock down, and experiment in their play. The teachers at Tiny Tots intentionally provide opportunities for STEM learning in the classroom with stimulating materials and questioning techniques. Parents can help develop their children’s critical thinking skills further by turning ordinary activities into STEM learning experiences. Try some of these activities with your children at home. Ask open ended questions and find ways to record discoveries. Enjoy exploring and learning together!

Go on a nature walk. Take a reusable bag and encourage your child to collect interesting objects like small round stones, leaves, seed pods, or flowers. When you get home, sort the treasures into categories, such as color, texture, size, and shape.

Do a cooking activity together. Look up an interesting recipe together online. Follow the recipe, letting your child help measure and mix.

Build ramps to test which cars, balls, or marbles go the fastest. Use a board, sheet of cardboard, or small table with one side elevated to make a ramp. Building blocks can be used to prop up the ramp. Try rolling a variety of objects, two at a time down the ramp to see which is fastest. Record your findings on a chart.

Set-up building activities with new materials such as paper or plastic cups. Give a challenge such as, “How high can you make a tower of cups?” Measure each tower and record its height.

Explore the grocery store. With your child, purchase some fruits and vegetables that you have never tried before. Before cutting up the fruits and vegetables, have your child predict what will be inside. Then, with careful supervision, have your child help you cut up small pieces to try. Have a tasting party. Make a graph that shows everyone’s favorites.

Play with water. Water play activities can be enjoyed in the bath tub, kitchen sink, or outside by filling a plastic container with water on a picnic table. Provide tools for experimentation, like a turkey baster, empty dish detergent bottles and other recyclables, measuring cups, etc.

Check out these sites for more STEM activities to try at home:
https://www.education.com/activity/preschool/science/
https://www.creativechild.com/articles/view/stem-for-preschoolers-activities-to-try-at-home

Source: https://www.brighthorizons.com/family-resources/e-family-news/stem-education-activities-preschoolers
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October 29, 2018

Dear Parents,

We are having a very special event here at Tiny Tots with Wildlife Adventures on November 9th. Wildlife Adventures is a company that provides educational entertainment with a variety of wild animals. The children will have the opportunity to meet and learn about animals native to Brazil to complement our unit on the country of Brazil. Educators from Wildlife Adventures will come to Tiny Tot School with fascinating animals such as: a blue front parrot, a marine toad, a tarantula, a green iguana, a boa constrictor and a red foot tortoise.

Thank you for your support of our fundraising efforts. Proceeds from our fundraisers will be used to cover the cost of this special event.

Please complete the permission slip below. We’re so excited for the children to see these animals!

Sincerely,
Tiny Tot Staff

______________________________
Parent/Guardian Signature

Wildlife Adventures
Permission Slip

Child’s Name: ____________________________

___ My child is not allowed to participate.

___ My child is allowed to meet and touch the animals brought to school by Wildlife Adventures on November 9, 2018.

Permission slip due by Thursday, November 8th
It is time to start collecting your new, nearly new or repairable toys for the Toy Workshop. You may drop off your toys at the entrance to McComas Hall beginning November 1. Toy Collection ends Monday, November 19.

The following is a list of items needed:

Please save your leftover Halloween candy to be used in the stockings!

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Please include DIRECTIONS and BAG TOGETHER PARTS for toys or games.

FOR OUR GIFT BASKETS WE NEED ITEMS FOR MOM, DAD, GRANDMA, AND TEENS

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ITEMS FOR THE BABY SETS

| Baby toys & books | Quilts | Receiving blankets | Play floor mats |

Please join us to help provide toys and gifts for children at Christmas, to join in the fun and fellowship with us and to accomplish a huge recycling project.

We check, clean and repair toys and add batteries. We fill stockings, make gift baskets, repair bikes and much more.

WORKSHOP IS OPEN on November 23 & 24 (9am - 5 pm) (the two days after Thanksgiving) and the week of November 26 - December 1 (9am - 10pm)

Questions? Coming as a group? Email Elaine Ziegler at elainezig1@yahoo.com and let us know what day you want to come.