



# Peanut Weekly News

March 5-9, 2018

## INSIDE THE CLASSROOM

- We kicked off our new theme this month of fairytales with Jack and the Beanstalk. Our dramatic play area was full of fun as the Peanuts used costumes to transform themselves into knights and princesses to play in our 2 pop-up castles! One Peanut was overheard saying "I see a dragon, we need to protect the castle".
- The children began to recognize and match their first and last name with their name tags during morning sign-in. They did a great job with this new task and we will continue to practice this skill throughout the rest of the school year.
- At the art center, the children had the opportunity to create their own giant beanstalk out of yarn and paper leaves. They also used some of Jack's "magic" beans to make the first letter of their name.
- We continued learning about fair ways to play and how to have fun with friends. The children helped the Second Step puppets, Mike and Molly, come up with ideas of how they could play together when they both wanted to do different activities. The children realized that they can use these ideas themselves as they play with their classmates and friends!
- The number of the week was 8. The children used their number books to complete various count and color activities! They also learned the first step of writing the number 8 by finger tracing it using the steps and terms from the Learning without Tears curriculum.

## Home Connection:

**See this week's Second Step Home Link 20 Having Fun with Friends attached to our email.**

Ask your child where we start our numbers when we write them (answer: at the top!) The Learning without Tears materials always have a smiley face in the top left corner to help the children find their starting point. Be sure to check out the great activity suggestions along with the directions of how to help your child learn to form this number on the inside cover of the number 8 book that went home in their back pack this week!

## Important Dates:

**March 26-30 - No School (Spring Break)**

**April 16 & 17 Class Pictures**

**April 20 No School (In-Service Day)**

## Class Pictures

On April 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> our photographer will be here to take a class photo in the barn. An order form is attached to this week's email. Please make checks payable to LeBaron Photography.