



Mrs. Muesse



Weekly Newsletter January 29-February 2, 2018

Unit of Study: Woodland & Forest Animals

Bible Story: "The Transfiguration"

Bible Verse: "The Lord is good to all." (Psalm 145:9)

Academics to Practice This Week: Shape: Star Color: White Number: 6

Progress Reports: Please read the progress report over and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask. The progress report envelopes need to be signed and returned to me by Friday, February 2nd. Second semester progress reports will be sent home at the end of the school year.

Enrichment Activities: "Teddy Graham More or less" Here are the supplies you will need to make your own one-to-one correspondence activity: Paper bowls, gray or brown paint, paint brush, scissors, shaving cream, glue, one foam die and plastic bear counters or teddy grahams. First, turn the paper bowls upside down and let your child paint them gray or brown to represent caves. After the bowls have dried thoroughly, use the scissors to cut an opening in the front of each bowl to represent the opening in the cave. Next, mix one part shaving cream and one part glue together to create "snow paint." Let your child use a paintbrush to apply thick blobs of snow to the outside of the bowls. You could also use cotton balls to create snow if you prefer. When the snow on the caves is completely dry you are ready to play the game. To play, take turns with your child rolling the die and then place the corresponding number of bears in their caves. After rolling the die and placing the correct number of bears in their cave, lift up the caves to count and compare the bears and determine who has more and who has less.

"Make a Cave" First find a big box. Next, cut a bunch of paper lunch bags open (along one side and the bottom). You will need about a pack and a half (\$1 a pack at the Dollar Tree) to cover the inside and the outside. Together with your child, crumple each bag good and tight, and then open them up again. Have your child crawl inside and help get them started and learning how to overlap and conserve tape by taping pieces together. Then cover the outside. This makes for a great dramatic

play! You can also go to the library and check out some books like: "Animals in winter", "The Wonders of Winter Wildlife", "What Do Animals Do in winter?", "Who Lives in the Snow?" and, "How Animals Survive the Cold". You can read with your child inside the "Reading Cave".

Love in Christ,
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