

Chebeague Pre-K News- February 2015

This month's peacemakers were the children themselves. This work helps them realize that they are part of something much bigger. It starts with a big box representing the universe and ends up with a little Chebeague Island school box with a heart inside which represents them. They liken it to a big cake....



Working together peacefully

Our science unit is birds, with a focus on owls.



Sorting animals - bird / not a bird



3 part matching of parts of a bird



Valentine manipulatives lend themselves well to exploring patterns and



graphing, especially if you get to taste a few candy hearts at the end....

As part of our cultural studies we learned about Chinese New Year. One of the works was small silk pouches/purses with various latches, zippers or squeeze action to open. Hide the tiny Buddha for a friend to find.



Block play enthusiasm comes and goes but it is always available.



Year of the Sheep craft for Chinese New Year



Exploring primary colors with color palettes. This work remains popular throughout the year.



The entertainment - to go with the wonderful Chinese food that Mrs. Summa cooked - was the dragon dance.



The numerals and counters work facilitates counting and teaches about odd and even. The dot markers are great for making a take home book.



We continue with sound sorts, beginning and ending. Here they sorting picture cards beginning with sh, th, ch.



Flipping 10 coins is fun fine motor work, helps to introduce Lincoln and Washington and indirectly

teaches them the properties of 10. We recently added making tally marks.



Proud and eager to share her work with the hanging bead teen frame. One ten bar and a unit bead cluster is hung to make 11-19.



We invited some friends from the K-2 class to join us one of our Forest Friday outings.

Calendar Updates

- March 5: Full Moon - The Sap Moon
- March 12: Island Commons visit
- March 16-19: Parent Teacher conferences
- March 20: Early release 11:30

*Thank you for sharing your children
Miss Nancy*