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K1 THEME 3: EVERYTHING CHANGES (29th Oct. to 23rd Nov.)

Our third topic of the year focuses on how things in life grow and change.

THEME LESSONS

Some keywords and songs you can practice with your children at home:

Keywords: Grow, change, older, bigger, longer, plant, seed, root, stem, leaves, flower, parts, soil, water, sunlight, air,

Mon – Sun, day, week, morning, night, next, January – December, weather, seasons, Autumn, Summer,

Winter and Spring.

Songs: "Head, shoulders, knees and toes", "The needs of a plant", "The planting song", "Cha cha slide", "In and

out the dusky bluebells", "Days of the week" & "Months of the year".

This theme the children will learn about all the different things that grow and change. The classes will first learn about how our bodies grow and change, and will read the book, 'I'm growing.' The children will look at pictures from when they were babies and compare them to how they look today.

Plants also grow and change. The children will learn the names of the different parts of the plant and look at plants in detail through a magnifying glass. They will read the book, 'Surprise garden,' where a little boy grows some weird and wonderful things in his back yard. The classes will then extend their experience with plants through the learning centers in the classrooms.

The teachers will set up an area where the children can examine different plants and all their different features. We will also go outside and each child will get to plant their own seed, learn about its needs and then look after it, seeing firsthand how it grows and changes over time.

ART LESSONS (sample to the right may vary from actual art work)

In their art lessons the classes will talk about the changing weather and seasons and they will make a rain umbrella using ink and coffee filters. They will also make season art using their hand prints as trees.





MATH & READING LESSONS

Some <u>keywords</u> and <u>songs</u> you can practice with your children at home:

Keywords: Match, use, together, work, sound, listen, count, copy, some, similar, different, carefully, set, group.

Songs: "The more we get together", "Ten in a bed" & "My whole body can move".

The children will start this theme's math lessons by looking at things that go together. For example, a lamp and a light bulb. The teacher will use real objects, picture cards and worksheets to help the children understand this concept. They will also play a fun team game. They will then move onto learning about numbers through sound. They will get to explore with different instruments and play a fun name game. The instruments will be left in the learning center for further exploration. The final math concept for this theme is, similar but different. The children will look at many objects, comparing their similarities and differences.

During their reading line lessons, the children will join the teacher in reading the books, 'I see fish' and 'Toys night out.'