



# WCA Preschool Times



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Last week went by fast with all the fun we had with Dr. Seuss! Children absolutely love rhyming and Dr. Seuss' books never disappoint. Rhyming is not only fun, but it is one of the important foundations for understanding the printed word. After reading *The Lorax* the class made truffula trees by using tissue paper and colored craft sticks. They turned out great and are on display in our windows! We also did finger painting and play dough exploring on the days we couldn't go outside because of the rain. Playing "Hop on Pop BINGO" was a hit with rhyming picture matches getting you the BINGO. It was great to play this in class since we are also participating in the schoolwide literacy BINGO challenge! Each day we pick a book to read that matches a set BINGO space and so far, we have earned one five in a row BINGO! By the time we head out for spring break we will hopefully have four BINGOs in total! This means books for our classroom! YEAH! The giant playing board is on the wall in the hall by the main doors and preschool is the turquoise butterfly. Our focus this week will be on Eric Carle and also his awesome use of colors and textures. I will also be taking advantage of the many counting and number recognition opportunities in his books. We will plant seeds, use water, shaving cream, and food coloring in our cloud experiment and make our own paper plate clock, just to name a few of the activities I have planned. The meanings of author, illustrator, narrator and characters will be pointed out and talked about each day at large group time. I'll read many of Eric Carle's books and the class will get to retell, *Brown Bear, Brown Bear What Do You See?* and *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*, stories using the felt board characters and foods. The beginning of the week looks like great weather again, but please send snow gear to keep your kiddo warm in the A.M!

## Areas of Focus

Children's Authors:  
*Eric Carle*



## Literacy and Language



- Books: *The Grouchy Ladybug*, *Brown Bear, Brown Bear What Do You See?*, *Does a Kangaroo Have A Mother, Too?*, *Mister Seahorse*, *The Rabbit and The Turtle*, *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*, *Little Cloud*, *Pancakes, Pancakes!*, *Dragon, Dragon*, *1,2,3 to the Zoo*
- Alphabet Matching - Upper & Lower Case
- Letter Sound Animal Matching

## Math, Science, Sensory

- \* Rain Cloud Experiment
- \* Making a Grouchy Ladybug Clock
- \* Tissue Paper Seahorse
- \* Counting Peg Board Math
- \* Wooden Shape Clock



## Important News

- ➔ Wednesday, crazy sock day!
- ➔ Thursday, crazy hat day!
- ➔ Friday, color day! PreK wears the color turquoise
- ➔ Friday, pizza orders are due.

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