

BLUE JAY NEWS

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Budding Friendships



Learning New Songs

"Do Re Mi"

Doe, a deer, a female deer
Ray, a drop of golden sun
Me, a name I call myself
Far, a long, long way to run
Sew, a needle pulling thread
La, a note to follow Sew
Tea, a drink with jam & bread
That will bring us back to Doe (oh-oh-oh)



We've also enjoyed watching this clip from
The Sound of Music together

"Thumbkin"

(Hide both hands behind back)
Where is Thumbkin?
Where is Thumbkin?
Here I am! (bring one thumb around)
Here I am! (other thumb)
How are you today, sir?
Very well, I thank you
Run away, run away (thumbs return one
at a time)

Repeat with Pointer, Tall Man, Ring
Man, Pinkie, & The Whole Family.

Getting to Know Jess Reilly

Jess was born in Sarasota, Florida. She moved to Atlanta in 2011 in hopes to find a more suitable and exciting environment with new opportunities. Jess is mostly interested in art and music, and would love to introduce these subjects early on to young children. She believes it is of high importance for early development and mental growth. She had the privilege to volunteer at The Sarasota Art Center where she taught art to children ages 5-7. This is where she discovered her interest in young children's brilliant and malleable minds.

She is very excited to learn more about the Reggio Emilia approach and is finding it easier everyday to understand the individuality that comes with each child's mind.

Miscellaneous Reminders

- Summer is upon us! Before arriving at school each morning, be sure to *cover your child in sunscreen*. We will reapply after nap.
- *Check your child's cubby regularly* to confirm it is stocked with warm-weather clothing, including rain shoes & hats.
- Likewise, please *bring diapers regularly*, & *wipe refills* at least once per month.
- Kindly change your child's diaper if it is substantially soiled at morning drop-off.
- Please check out our *Family Communication Board or the blog!*
- Be sure to *sign your child in & out* each day. Not only is this process necessary for accountability, it is also important for educator-parent communication!
- Please help your child *wash their hands* upon arrival each morning.