




Monthly Concepts:

Shape: Oval  **Colors:** Purple and Violet **Opposites:** Next to/Away From
Values: Responsibility **Motor Development:** Jumping Jacks

Dinosaurs: Courageous Carnivores

May 1-5

- **Discussion:** “Dinosaurs liked to _____. I know that dinosaurs lived _____.” Introduce new monthly concepts.
- **Arts/Crafts:** Mold a dinosaur using clay; paint when dry, Still Life painting of a dinosaur scene or “Symmetry of a Dino”; complete opposite side of dinosaurs’ face.
- **Science:** “Dino Freeze”; work to “excavate” small dinosaurs from ice blocks.
- **Cooking Project:** Make purple/violet playdough or Gak, or blend and bake dough to make “dinosaur bones”.

Mothers Are Super Special

May 8-12

- **Discussion:** “My Mommy is the best at _____!”
- **Arts/Crafts:** Paint a portrait of Mommy. Lace a purple oval. “Purple Tissue Paper Tear” -add to Contac paper
- **Sensory Exploration:** Purple water with glitter; add balls, ladles and clear containers.
- **Science Experiment:** “Milk & Vinegar”
- **Math:** Counting and sorting purple ovals or basic addition with shades of purple/violet paint swatches.
- **Read:** *The Night Before Mother’s Day*, and many more!

How to Get an Hour Back Everyday... “Free time? What’s that? Was there really an era when the washing machine wasn’t in constant use, when you could have a spontaneous night on the town, when you didn’t fall into bed each night in a state of near-clinical exhaustion? Nowadays, your ‘me’ time may be restricted to a few brief moments in the bathroom. The good news is that thanks to these timesaving ideas from real moms, you can get a little of it back. Try to: make weekly menus, freeze sandwiches on Sunday to carry you through the week, plan clothing, use a shared online calendar; color-coded and sync with your partner, do errands on your lunch hour, make lists for your tasks or use checklist apps on your phone, cook lots of one-pot meals, and have your children help when possible. Kids love simple things: food, togetherness, laughter. If you remember that-and let go of doing everything perfectly- you can get it all done.”

https://www.babycenter.com/0_how-to-get-an-hour-back-every-day

Family Fun Fair

May 15-19

- **Discussion:** “When I visit the fair I like to _____.”
- **Outside Activities:** Balance beams, play “Duck, Duck, Goose” and watercolor at the art easel.
- **Dramatic Play:** Pretend to work at an Ice Cream Shop
- **Cooking Project:** Prepare and bake homemade pretzels. Make and enjoy fresh squeezed juices; taste test. Graph which juice tasted the best.
- **Read:** *Angelina at the Fair* or *Maisy at the Fair*
- **Arts/Crafts:** Group “Beach Boardwalk” banner

Flourishing Farms

May 22-26

- **Discussion:** “Once upon a time on the farm...”
- **Outside Activities:** “Jazzy Jumping Jacks” Contest, Hula hoops, and “Frisbee Tic Tac Toe”
- **Dramatic Play:** Pretend Animal Judging Contest (Have children bring stuffed animals from home)
- **Sensory Exploration:** Bird seed with different sized funnels and spoons; add small farm animals in mixture
- **Group Activity:** Go on a Nature Walk and look for items that are purple. Play “Body Charades” game.

Special Events:

May 1-5:

Teacher Appreciation Week

May 11:

“Made With Mom”
Mother’s Day Celebration

Room: 6- 8:30-9:00am

Rooms: 7, 10, 11- 9:30-10:00am

May 12:

“Made With Mom”
Mother’s Day Celebration

Rooms: 5, 8, 9- 9:30-10:00am

Rooms: 1, 2, 3, 4- 3:45-4:15pm

May 18:

Spring Assessments Sent Home

May 19:

Family Fun Fair
*School will Close at 5pm
for Event*

May 22:

Kindergarten Only -*Closed for
Parent-Teacher Conferences*

May 22-26:

Parent-Teacher Conferences

May 29:

*School Closed in Observance
of Memorial Day*

