

TreeHouse News

We have just wrapped up our month long adventure in the land down under. We explored the interesting animals of the **Great Barrier Reef** and Australian land animals. Phoebe shared that her favorite animal from our Australian adventure is the **kangaroo** because, "Their babies are so cute and called Joeys!" Along with our Australian themed month, we explored three new letters: Hh, Jj and Uu. We practiced writing these letters (upper and lower-case), talked about words that begin with them and practiced all the different sounds they make.

Here are some of the top favorites and most **surprising** pieces of information from our Australia unit:

- "I learned about **boomerangs**. They are something that people in Australia throw at animals when they are getting food!" – Ada
- "I liked the kangaroo because kangaroos are so funny and they jump and hop on their back legs." – Rowan
- "The people in Australia talk the same language as me. **English!**" –Mikaela
- "Kangaroos eat grass and I like them because they look like lawnmowers when they are eating.☺" –Quintin
- "Our adventure room was the sea (Great Barrier Reef) and I really like the pink jellyfish." – Genevieve
- "**Emus** live in Australia and they can't fly but they are a bird. That is sooo funny!" -Bear

For the month of February we will be exploring the world of **fine arts** with our **Picasso** and Mozart unit! We will be learning about different styles of art and exploring various genres of music as well. We will also continue learning a new letter each week. The letters of the week in March will be: Ll, Dd, and Ww.

We will be celebrating **Valentine's Day** on the 12th of February. Bringing Valentine's for the class is optional, but if you choose to bring them, we ask that you bring enough in for each child. They don't need to be labeled with the recipient, just who they are from, and no candy please. We have a total of 20 kiddos in the TreeHouse. ☺

The TreeHouse also has a new friend joining us this month; **Mason**! Our TreeHouse friends are excited to meet and welcome our new friend and we're looking forward to getting to know his family as well.

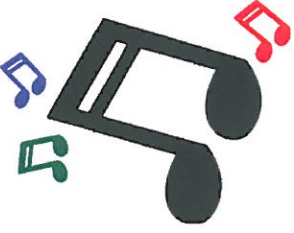
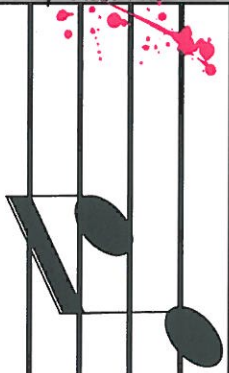
Ms. Brandi, Ms. Emily and Ms. Erynn

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Picasso and Mozart



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 Primary & Secondary Colors	2 Spanish: Colors	3 Letter Ll	4 Shape Art	5 Share: Favorite Color
This Month's Books:	8 Recycled Art	9 Spanish: Art Supplies	10 Eric Carle	11 Letter Dd	12 Valentine Celebration
William Wegman Collection	15 NO SCHOOL President's Day	16 Spanish: Shapes	17 Under the Table Painting	18 Still Life Drawing	19 Share: Favorite Art Work
Eric Carle Collection	22 Maracas	23 Spanish: Shapes	24 Letter Ww	25 Classical Music	26 Share: Favorite Instrument
Louise Loves Art	29 Dance Ribbons	1 Spanish: Songs	2 Paint to Music	3 Cultural Music and Dance	4 Share: Favorite Music Style
The Day the Crayons Came Home					
Mo Willems Collection					



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