

Fun Bunch at Noanet 2021-2022

MONDAYS: Around the World!

So many countries to explore! Children will make passports as they prepare to travel the world in alphabetical order. "A" might Australia, Argentina, or Angola! **Travel Mondays** will be a globe-trotting adventure as students visit new places each week: learning a new song, creating a cultural craft, discovering words in a different language, or cooking native foods. We will map our journey so that we can track our travels and at the end of the year look back at all the places we have been.

TUESDAYS: Let's do "A" to "Z" science!

Science is a fancy word for what preschoolers do every day: explore their physical and natural world. It becomes science when children are encouraged to describe what they see using all their senses, to ask questions and hold them without getting immediate answers, to repeat the experience, to try it again maybe with a small change, and to think about the "why" of it. During **Science Tuesdays**, teachers will lay out the groundwork for fun and unpredictable science trials. As a group, students will learn to wonder about their world and to work through experiments with open questions and the excitement of new discoveries. Be prepared to try these experiments at home!

WEDNESDAYS: Top Chef!

Children will be given their very own cooking kits with all they need to begin cooking! We will make food and non-food items as we develop hand - eye coordination, refine small motor skills, employ math skills, and learn to follow directions in the form of recipes. Students will be exposed to kitchen safety best practices along the way. Best of all, **Top Chef Wednesdays** will instill independence, pride of creation, and a sense of creative accomplishment.

WEDNESDAYS: The World is our Stage!

Students will put together and perform in plays! There is a part for everyone: selecting the story, creating costumes, assembling props, setting the stage, organizing the performance, and acting in character. **Performance Wednesdays** will be stupendous for executive function development (planning, organizing, sequencing, implementing) as well as building confidence with public speaking, memory abilities and creative expression.

THURSDAYS: Sports, Games, and Gross Motor!

We are ready for action! We will have motor movement, skills development, and active games. With gross motor play, the social, communication, emotional, and cognitive skills of the children are "exercised" as well as their motor skills. Many of our challenges on **Action Packed Thursdays** will be held upstairs in the child-friendly Kraft Hall Community Room.

FRIDAYS: Nature's Classroom!

Nature is important to children's development in every major way- intellectually, emotionally, socially, and physically. Children will learn about seed planting - preparing the soil, sowing the seeds, and ensuring the right amounts of water and sunlight - and will explore animal tracks, leaf shapes, and other natural elements of our New England home. Some **Nature Fridays** may even feature special guests from the Broadmoor Audubon Society.