

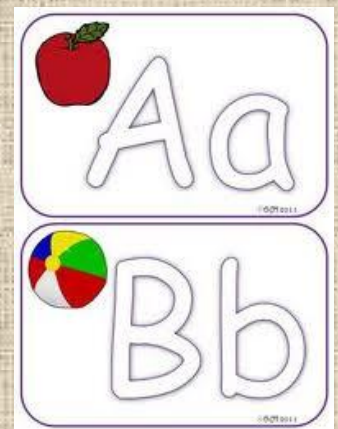


Okay, so what HAVEN'T we been up to?!

We stay pretty busy in Kindergarten?!

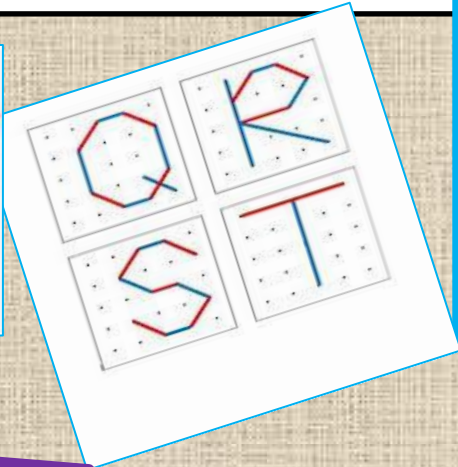
We kicked off the fall season by planning a fun unit on apples. To go along with our study of apples and how they grow, we incorporated some fun math and literacy activities for the kiddos to do that had an apple theme. With the help of Henry's Mom we made applesauce and had a healthy afternoon snack. One day we labeled the parts of an apple and wrote numbers 1-10 and sequenced them so that we had "Ten Apples Up On Top!" We tasted a red, yellow, and green apple and graphed which one was our favorite. The children learned about John Chapman and his legacy to the apple trees.

Another area that we have been working on is handwriting. Below is a few of the handwriting and alphabet centers where the kinders have been learning:



They love working with Play-doh to form letters on alphabet mats.

They have also been playing with Geo-boards. They look at alphabet cards that have rubber-band illustrations of the alphabet and then form the letters.



One of their favorite centers is iPads where they work with an app called Letter School.



Letter School iPad app

On Computers they use Starfall reading website to learn about letters, letter sounds, and letter formation. They also use a program called "Paint" to practice making straight lines, slanted lines, and curved lines.





Miss Dunham has been working with small groups on letter formation. The began by practicing writing straight lines, slanted lines and curved lines.

Next week we will be adding some new centers. I' ve been working on a SMART board lesson that integrates letter formation. We are also adding gel bags and rainbow writing.