

preschool PROMISE

How do you say thank you?

There are many ways to give thanks and to express gratitude to our friends, family and community. Last month, you decorated the wood pieces for our Partners in Play at K12 TEJAS. Be sure to drive by the display at 341 S. Jefferson St, Dayton, OH 45402.

This month, you can build your child's Kindergarten readiness skills while giving thanks and having fun with the activities in this Play Box! Through play, you can practice writing, counting and sharing! Try out the three activities on the back of this sheet or get started now by writing a thank you note (instructions below)!

What's in the box?



pom poms



index cards



Thanksgiving placemat



wooden spoon



bowls



measuring spoon

****Pretend Play can be exciting and sometimes we can get carried away! Please use caution with the tiny pompoms, as they may be a choking hazard if swallowed****

Write a Thank-You Note!

Writing to express ideas, whether it's drawing pictures, practicing name-writing or making marks on paper, are not only important school skills – they are also fun!

Using the index cards in your box, you can draw a picture and have your grown-up write your words giving thanks to the people you love.

Be sure to sign your name to your card!



Play Plan: Do these three activities this month to help your child learn and grow!



Stir Up Some Soup!

- Use the pom poms, bowl and wooden spoon to mix up some pretend soup and serve it up on the placemat!
- Talk about what you would add to soup! Vegetables, noodles and don't forget the spices!
- Ask your child: what is your favorite type of soup?

Write a Recipe!

- Grab markers and an index card to make your recipe!
- You can draw pictures of the ingredients, and your grown-up can write the words!
- Ask your child: what kind of recipes do we make at home?

Sharing Is Caring!

- Check out your pom poms, and think of all the ways you can sort them!
- Sort the pom poms by color – how many of each color do you have?
- Ask your child: how many people can we share our pom poms with equally? 2? 3? 4? 6?

When you've completed the activities, color the fall feast below!



Kindergarten Readiness skills: This month highlights three new readiness skills for Kindergarten. You can use the questions listed for each activity to connect and extend the skills listed below.

Fine motor skills:

talking while making pretend food (in, out, over, under, mix)

Self care skills:

draw a picture to help express an idea; recognize and try to write own name

Language skills:

finding different attributes to sort by (color, size)