

## PRESCHOOL

### EXPLAINING WEEKLY CURRICULUM TO PARENTS

Mary writes:

I have a daycare and I teach 3-4 year olds. I don't have a clue how to present weekly curriculum to the parents.

Jean replies:

It is important to keep parents informed of your curriculum. First of all, I would let them have a copy of your daily schedule. Explain that this is your basic schedule but it can change depending on what is what is going on that day.

A typical schedule would look something like this.

8-9 Free Play

9-10 Math & Science (Numbers, Discoveries, Animals, Weather, etc.)

10-10:30 Snack

10:30 – 11:30 Art (Creative Art, Crafts, Drawing, Cooking, etc.)

11:30 – 12:00 Outdoor Play

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch

1:00 – 2:00 Naptime

2:00 – 3:00 Language Time (Stories, Music, Dramatic Play, Puppets, etc.)

3:00 – 4:00 – Game Time (Problem Solving, Concept Games, Puzzles, Bingo, etc.)

Then every month or every two weeks, I would send home a list of the things we would be specifically working on during the next two weeks, or month. I would let them know what themes (if any) we would be having; types of resources we would appreciate from home; concepts we are going to be working on, such as; colors, numbers or shapes. Be sure to let parents know the words to any songs or rhymes you may be introducing to the children, because children like to share these with the parent and they often forget many of the words.

I hope this helps, Jean Warren, Preschool Express