Thank You Eve & Amanda!

Eve and Amanda from the Daughters of the New Moon dance troupe visited in December and taught us some fun dance moves.

Family Night for Preschoolers

¡Viva Mexico!

Tuesday January 6th, 5:30-7:00pm, Downtown Library
Looking to escape the cold and dark Juneau winter? Let's head to Mexico! Tickle your tongue with a short lesson in Spanish, learn about Mexican culture, and listen to a Mexican folk story with Parents as Teachers Educator, Lisa Arehart.

We will also make traditional tissue flowers and a light meal will be served. This is a great opportunity to connect with other parents, daydream about warmer places, learn about a new culture, and there will be a free book to take home for the kids! Questions? Call AEYC at 789-1235.

Kids in the Kitchen!

Warm Mulled Cider

"Mulled" means heating up liquid with ingredients like cinnamon sticks that will flavor it gently. Mulled cider tastes like liquid apple pie!

Kitchen Gear:
Vegetable peeler, medium-sized pot, measuring cup, tongs or two forks

Ingredients:
1 orange
2 cinnamon sticks
4 cups (1 quart) apple cider or juice

Instructions:
1. Wash your hands with soap and water, then gather all your kitchen gear and ingredients and put them on a clean counter.
2. Use the vegetable peeler to remove long strips of zest (the orange part, not the white part underneath) from half of it.
3. Put the cinnamon sticks, orange zest, and cider in the pot and put it on the stove. Turn the heat to medium-high and heat until it's steamy—about 7 minutes. Turn the heat down to low and simmer (gentle boil) for 30 minutes.
4. Use tongs or two forks to remove the orange zest and cinnamon sticks, then pour the cider into mugs and serve.

- See more at: http://www.chopchopmag.org

"A book is like a garden, carried in the pocket." — Chinese Proverb
2. How does a mountain climber climb?

Talk about how the world looks with snow, what snow feels like, and what kind of clothes you have to wear in the winter.

You may use pictures of different kinds of weather to help the discussion. Ask questions and use a story to help the discussion.

Bring the kids out for an evening of play at the inside turf field. There are lots of toys and lots of space available to run wild! This event is FREE and means this program is FREE!

AFTER READING:
1. Talk about all the different games you can play outside. Talk about how these games change according to the weather.
2. You may use pictures of different kinds of weather to help the discussion—a windy day, a rainy day, a hot and sunny day. Brainstorm with your child all the different kinds of things you can do outside on these days. Remember, in the book the boy used simple things like a stick.

Imagination Library Early Learning!

BOOK TITLE: The Snowy Day
AUTHOR: Ezra Jack Keats
SUMMARY OF BOOK: Peter has lots of adventures in the snow on a winter’s day.

BEFORE READING:
Ask questions and use what the child already knows to add to the discussion, assuring the child in understanding and enjoying the book.

1. Talk with your child about the cover of the book. Predict what this story is going to be about.
2. Talk about how the world looks with snow, what snow feels like, and what kind of clothes you have to wear in the winter.
3. Ask your child what he/she likes to do in the snow.

DURING READING:
Talk about each of the things that Peter does in the snow. Imagine that your child is Peter and add more details:
1. How would the snow feel when it lands on your head?
2. How does a mountain climber climb?