VOYAGE OF DISCOVERY: **TK Students Set Sail on a Writing Adventure!**



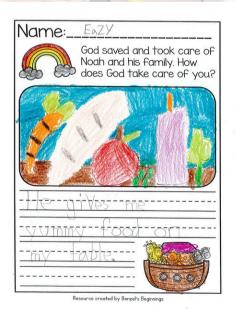
Transitional Kindergarten students embarked on a thrilling journey through history and imagination with a visit to the Skirball Cultural Center's Noah's Ark Exhibit. This unforgettable experience transported our young learners aboard a life-sized wooden ark, where they played, climbed, built, and explored an enchanting world filled with whimsical animals crafted from recycled materials. From cozy, cuddly creatures to larger-thanlife puppets fashioned from baseball mitts, mop heads, and rearview mirrors, the exhibit was a feast for the senses and a spark for creativity.

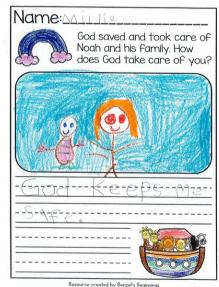
Through hands-on play and collaboration, our students stepped into the biblical story of Noah's Ark. They conducted a storm, helped construct the Ark, and basked in the glow of a dazzling rainbow—a symbol of God's promises. From hoisting food to the deck and sweeping after the animals to walking across the Ark's bridges, students experienced the responsibilities Noah and his family carried out. These activities fostered teamwork, critical thinking, and communication while instilling values of responsibility, cooperation, and perseverance. **VOYAGE OF DISCOVERY:**

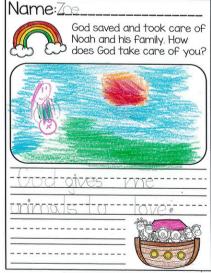
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TBack at school, the TK class engaged in thoughtful discussions about how God saved and cared for Noah and his family, leading to the question, "How does God take care of us?" This inquiry sparked meaningful conversations and personal reflections as students connected the biblical lesson to their everyday experiences. They recognized acts of kindness, love, and protection from family, friends, and their community as reflections of God's care. This reinforced gratitude, compassion, and faith while helping students deepen their understanding of the world around them.

Building on this reflection, students embarked on a writing assignment, using proper sentence structure and fine motor skills to express how they experience God's care. With attention to capital letters, nouns, verbs, and punctuation, each student crafted a sentence and illustrated it with colorful artwork. The results were heartwarming and insightful, showcasing not only writing growth but also a deepening appreciation for faith and collaboration. One student proudly shared, "I wrote about how God takes care of me with my mom and dad, and I drew us playing together!" Another added, "I made sure to use spaces between my words and included a big rainbow like we saw in the Ark!" The enthusiasm for creativity and self-expression was truly inspiring.







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