

Our lesson plans:

1st week- Introduction to Gerbils

Monday-

- *choose names- have children choose 1 name each and then have other teachers vote on names (make a chart to see which ones got more votes)
- *announce winning names
- *watch our pets in their new habitat (no touching for 24-48 hours)

Tuesday-

- *Learning how to care for our new pets, how often they eat, drink, change cage, ect.
- *Craft- make a how to care for our pet book to take home (Do's and Don'ts) type up and have the kids glue in appropriate columns

Wednesday

- *God created animals day
 - learn about what animals are related to gerbils (mouse, rats, ect)
- * gerbil coloring sheets
- * possibly have gerbils play in the balls if they seem comfortable (may need another day) talk about how children cannot kid, push, roll ball with gerbils in them
- *read an educational gerbil book

Thursday

- *Make a monthly chart for classroom
 - who helped to feed gerbils
 - who helped get gerbils clean water
 - keep track of which fruit/veggie they enjoyed more
- * talk about how we will have helpers each week for the gerbils, expectations of our helpers (water, food, snacks ect)

Friday

- * helper preps for weekend (water and food check)
- * choose our helper for next week
- *gerbil coloring sheets and possibly another gerbil craft
- * read a funny gerbil book

Monthly-

- * we will be studying our gerbils to see how they grow, their most active time, how often the cage gets cleaned, their tunnels and how they play.

Weekly-

- We will be seeing how our children react to the gerbils (excited, happy, scared ect)
- We will have the gerbils out daily in their balls, we will be using that time to help our kids learn their ABC' and counting by having them sing to the gerbils and see if it makes the gerbils more/less active

Thank you!

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