From the Counseling Office

Dear Families,

This month in <u>Pre-K</u>, we learned about joining in and sharing. To join in playing with someone, we learned that we need to move closer, watch, then ask, "Can I join you, please?". We also learned that there are different ways to share, such as taking turns, trading, and playing together.

Engage your child by asking:

- ★ What are the steps you take when joining in?
- ★ If someone is playing with

This month in <u>Kindergarten</u>, <u>1st grade</u>, and <u>2nd grade</u>, we learned about identifying feelings and coping strategies. In each grade we learned about different feelings. We also added more coping strategies to our toolboxes.

Engage your child by asking:

- ★ Ask your kindergartener about rocks and socks (muscle relaxation) and how to use an I message.
- ★ Ask your first grader about their favorite mini movement break (elephant ears, starbursts, and raindrops) and finding a rainbow.
- ★ Ask your second grader about talking to people they trust, journaling, and 5-4-3-2-1 grounding.

We also learned about solving problems and the four problem solving steps.

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