

Gerald and Piggie Series

During September, the afternoon class read a series of book by Mo Willems which focused on the adventures of an elephant named Gerald, and a pig named Piggie. These books focus on different social situations and skills including; problem solving, communicating thoughts and feelings, negotiating play, handling new experiences, and making friends. Students participated in acting out the stories as different characters, retold the story through yoga, created pictures of the characters using shapes, and wrote their own books. 9-14



Students cut and pasted dialogue boxes to pictures of the books characters they had previously colored. With teacher assistance, students created a story based on what was happening in the pictures.



Students got to act out different books from the series. Cassee supported by reading the book and feeding kids lines when they needed the additional prompting.



Students play Piggy-Bingo with Cassee. Using a die, students rolled a letter and then matched in to their card .



With teacher support, students followed a set of directions to make elephants and pigs using squares, half circles, triangles, and circles. This activity helps teach the importance of sequencing.