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PRE-K UTILIZES PARSHAT SHEKALIM TO EXPAND UNDERSTANDING OF COUNTING

Pre-K is learning about Shabbat Shekalim. Moshe told the people to give a half shekel to represent the Jewish community. In conjunction with Shabbat Shekalim, students took part in many counting exercises. Some of the counting activities included sorting and graphing. Teaching Pre-K students to count numbers, not just recite them, better prepares them for success in math as they advance in school. Counting also gives students a stronger foundation in Math.

Curiosity fuels cognitive development, education, and scientific discovery in the classroom. Curiosity is about being aware, checking things out, experimenting, and interacting within one's surroundings. Students created curiosity in the classroom by counting coins and reenacting bringing them to the Mishkan. They also discussed what the money that was collected might be used for. After all of the ideas were written down, students voted on what they thought was the most important item on the list.

