

### Highlights of the Week

Welcome back Mulberry families, Hope you had a wonderful break!

Our week begun with exploring our home country - The United States of America! Its fifty states, the flag which has 13 stripes, 50 stars and what it represents. The Puzzle map was introduced and our kids were enjoying which states they had visited with their special memory. Some of them are already aware of our national landmarks and symbols such as The Statue of Liberty, Mount Rushmore, our national bird -Bald Eagle, presidential seal.

Our popular activities are in practical life area. Students are having fun with the baster and syringe (without Needle) to transfer water and sorting silverware.

We had an interesting discussion about migration and hibernation, when the kids were asked about "where we get food from?" Their response was of course "The store" and "where do store get from? Funny you asked - From the shelf!!!!!!!!!!" Well, it's not that easy for animals during the winter time. Winter can be harsh for animals. Weather, scarcity of food & other energy sources can make their survival difficult. To get through this part of the year, several kinds or animals either hibernate or they migrate.

In our sensorial area the kids are exploring the Blue Rectangle Box. They are also called constructive triangles. The purpose of this material is to make the child aware that all polygons can be made with triangles. This activity prepares the child for geometry.

#### Dr. Maria Montessori's Words:



*"The environment must be rich in motives which lend interest to activity and invite the child to conduct his own experiences."*

Maria Montessori

#### Reminders:

- Cookies Around the World December 1<sup>st</sup> (**NO PM KIDS CLUB**) school ends promptly at 3:15pm
- Winter Recess December 22<sup>nd</sup> -January 2<sup>nd</sup>
- School Resumes January 3<sup>rd</sup>

#### Home/School Connection

I am sure your child must have mentioned by now why Mrs. Shetty is not coming to the Mulberry classroom. I would like to take this opportunity to announce that she went back to her original classroom -Magnolia. If you would like to say Hello to her, it is right next door. I would also like to welcome Mrs. Shah in our classroom -some of you already know her. She is back to the Schoolhouse family and will be also teaching technology to kindergartners.