

### Highlights of the Week

It was another fabulous week at willow room. This week the most popular work in our class room was sorting primary color objects. We are all enjoying the colors of the changing leaves in autumn. To gain sensory experiences with the natural environment, we are using finger paint in all fall colors.

**Math area:** This week in math area, children worked on recognizing numerals from 1 to 5. In extension they are counting pumpkins and apples from 1 to 5.

**Art:** In art children learned how to use a small brush for painting. They painted pumpkins with orange color. They are gluing leaves and making collage with torn papers.

**Language:** In language, children are learning names self, classmates and teachers. Naming some fruits, shapes and sizes is also being learned. Children are taking nature walks to explore trees. We are also singing fall songs and reading books about leaves, colors and trees.

**Science:** In science we are learning body parts.

As we know independence and self-discipline are important goals of Montessori philosophy. Encourage your child to use the toilet. Independence should be encouraged at gradual pace in toddler's environment. Keep a small step stool in the bath room and kitchen so your child can reach the sink. Please remember to label your entire child's belongings, clothes, jackets, hats, shoes, bags etc. Do not forget to put date on your child's lunch box every day. If you are sending your child in boots, please send an extra pair of indoor shoes.

Thanks and Have a wonderful weekend!

#### Dr. Maria Montessori Words:



*"Establishing lasting peace is the work of education; all politics can do is keep us out of war".*

#### Reminder:

- Blake's Apple orchard field trip October 6th
- Whole School Portraits October 19th
- Halloween (No PM Kids Club) October 31st
- First Marking Period November 10th
- Parent/Teacher Conferences \*(No School, child care provided for FD/EXD students only) November 17th

#### Home/School Connection:

##### PUMPKIN SMOOTHIE RECIPE

Ingredients per serving:

- ½ banana
- ¼ cup vanilla ice cream or frozen yogurt
- Pumpkin spice to taste
- 1 tablespoon canned pumpkin

Steps:

- \*Use plastic knives to cut slices of banana and add to blender.
- Measure out ice cream and canned Pumpkin, add to blender. Add a sprinkle of Pumpkin Pie Spice to taste. Blend ingredients until mixed and foamy and enjoy!!