

Highlights of the Week

The most important language materials for a toddler are the materials and experiences in the child's environment. Reinforcing the importance of verbal communication, speaking clearly, and supporting the child's expanding vocabulary are a daily process in our class room. Talking with your toddler helps her expand her vocabulary, and learn more complex sentence structures. Talking together also develops toddlers literacy skills as she is more comfortable and confident with language. Research shows that talking with children during everyday routine increases their vocabularies and confidence.

This week the following activities have been introduced in our class room:

Math: In math area children were busy doing magnet counter work. They also practiced number sequence tray 1-5 and 6-9.

Language: Children learned how do polar bears stay warm in a very cold weather. We read the book "Bears" by Emma Halbrough. We also reviewed our sound basket. Children learned few new words starts with the phonetic sound "s".

Sensorial: This week lock and key work has been introduced. Children were also busy identifying objects by wearing blindfold.

Practical life: We have added eye dropper with soap suction pad work on our practical life shelf. This work need lots of concentration and eye hand coordination. Our toddlers are trying their best to do this work correctly! Children are practicing lots of hand washing, dressing and undressing themselves.

Art: In art, children painted at easel with small brush. They are also doing torn paper collage with their favorite color papers.

Dr. Maria Montessori Words:



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

Home/School Connection:

The younger children of two or three can begin to develop fine muscle control by stringing spools, buttons, or beads.

A fun and delicious activity is to string cheerios or similar cereal to make a necklace. (Eat one, string one, showing the child how to thread it all the way to the end which you have knotted with a couple of the "O's".)

Pasta comes in many shapes and colors that are good for stringing, too.

Reminder:

- February 12th Curriculum night phase 2
- February 16th Family Ball at Troy Community center 6pm to 7:30pm
- February 19th & 20th Mid-Winter Break NO SCHOOL