

### Highlights of the Week

Busy week for our Toddlers! I am happy to tell you that we have introduced ‘Yoga with Mrs. Jagirdar’. She is from India and she has been practicing yoga for many years. She offered to teach the children some easy poses to stretch their bodies and to relax their minds before lunch and nap. As a yogi myself, I could not be more excited and the children love it, too!

**Language area:** Matching game with pictures of some ways of transportation: a car, a motorcycle, an airplane, a helicopter and a rocket ship, too! The children can find the right match while naming the pictures.

**Sensorial area:** Sorting hearts of different colors: pink, purple and blue.

**Science:** We made an experiment about the difference between hot and cold. We filled in one bucket with warm water and one bucket with cold water and ice cubes then we asked the children to put their hands inside and tell us their sensations. Most of them enjoyed the warm water better than the cold one! After the experiment I presented a new work on the same topic: sorting pictures of cold and warm objects like a snowman, a cup of hot chocolate, a candle, an igloo.

**Practical life:** Combing hair. This work help the children to work on their self-care: at school they are combing the doll hair, soon at home they will comb their own.

**Math:** Number puzzles cards: the children have to associate the digit number with the correspondent number of objects.

One to one with hearts: while putting the correct number of hearts on a heart shaped board the children work on the concept of quantity.

**Art:** Lacing hearts. The children are working on this work that develops hand and eye coordination and requires a lot of patience.

**Cooking project:** Cooking rice. The children helped to prepare the rice by adding one ingredient at a time and by waiting patiently until it was fully cooked.

**Sign language:** We are practicing Go and Stop.

#### Dr. Maria Montessori Words:

*“Children become like the things they love.”*  
M. Montessori

#### 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

#### Home/School Connection

This coming Tuesday I would like to celebrate Mardi Gras by dressing up, decorating masks and eating traditional sweets.

I will bring costumes for girls and I am asking you to help me with the boys: if you have any costume that might suit boys 18 months old to 3 years old and that you are willing to share please, bring them to school on Monday or Tuesday. I will make sure that they return to your home in good conditions.

As usual, thanks in advance for your cooperation.