

Highlights of the Week

We began the week discussing the life cycle of a butterfly. The children are particularly interested because they have been able to witness the life cycle up close in class. The butterfly's life cycle begins with the **egg** (it was noted that when the mother lays the eggs, they are sticky); next the **caterpillar** hatches (it bites a hole in its egg, eats it and continually eats; then spins a **chrysalis**; and finally a **butterfly** emerges.

The children were reminded of the 4 vertebrates previously discussed, i.e., fish, amphibians, reptiles, bird and refreshed their memories of some of their characteristics. This later led to the introduction of the final group of vertebrates - mammals! Characteristics of mammals are: have a backbone, have hair, fur, or wool; feed their young milk; are born alive; are warm bloodied, and breathe air. Some of the children were surprised to find out that we are mammals!

Dr. Maria Montessori's Words:



"Early childhood education is the key to the betterment of society."

Reminders:

- Detroit Zoo Field Trip May 25th No regular school on this day the entire school will be at the Zoo.
- Memorial Day May 28th No School
- May Day Mixer May 29th
- Music Program/Graduation June 1st No PM Kids Club
- Third Marking period ends June 8th
- Family picnic at Boulan Park June 10th
- Donuts with dad June 11th
- Last Day of School June 13th half day

Home/School Connection



Adam Hariri celebrated his birthday with the class on Friday. He took 4 "Walks Around the Sun". Happy 4th Year of Life, Adam!



Does your child have a "summer birthday"? If you would like him to celebrate an "early" birthday with his class before the school year ends, Let Us Know, we will be very happy to schedule a "Walk Around the Sun".