



*Willow Room*

*Scribbles*

*May 4th, 2018*

### Highlights of the Week

Our students are enjoying the month of May inside and outside the class room. The environment is rich in motives and activities that invite the child to conduct his/her own experiences. We practiced the following works this week.

**Science:** This week our students are learning about metamorphosis and the focus is the life cycle of butterfly. Children are observing real caterpillars with magnifying glass everyday in our classroom. As caterpillars are growing in size, children's excitement to see the real butterflies (coming out of the chrysalis soon), is also growing. Our older toddlers are anticipating the colors and size of butterflies.

**Math:** Children counted butterflies. They learned the new concept of few and more.

**Language:** We reviewed our phonetic sound "b". we discussed butterflies and read the book "The Hungry Caterpillar".

**Sensorial:** In sensorial area, feeling feathers and Feeling flowers work have been introduced. In Montessori Sensorial Exercises, the child learns to feel objects and make recognitions based on what he feels.

**Practical life:** Children practiced transferring feathers with cloth pins.

**Food Prep:** Children made butterflies with sliced apples, raisins, carrots and pretzels. It was so much fun.

**Art:** We painted butterflies, caterpillars and cocoons with different colors.

#### 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 purpose and aim of Sensorial work is for the child to acquire clear, conscious, information and to be able to then make classifications in his environment. Montessori believed that sensorial experiences began at birth. Through his senses, the child studies his environment. Through this study, the child then begins to understand his environment. The child, to Montessori, is a "sensorial explorer".

#### Reminder:

- ACES May 9th
- Tea with Mom 8:45 or 10:00AM May 11th
- Detroit Zoo Field Trip **May 25th** No regular school on this day the whole 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