



Classroom III Spring News



With only 6 short weeks of school left, our classroom is alive with springtime energy! We are all eager to get outside in our beautiful garden and enjoy the warm weather that will hopefully come our way!

Reminders & Thoughts

*****Thank you to Nidhi Gupta (Purav's mom) for coming into our classroom and sharing a bit about the culture of India with the children. They enjoyed looking at the beautiful clothes and now love to say "namaste"!**

*****Please remember that Before School starts at 7:45. If you arrive early, please wait with your child until then.**

*****Friday, April 17th is our Talon Vine Affair. This is a really fun night and we look forward to seeing you all there.**

*****April 24th is our Earth Day celebration. School will be dismissed at 11:00 a.m. and a picnic will follow from 11:00 - 1:00!**

*****No School for Primary children May 11th! This is Visitation Day for the 3rd year students only.**

*****May 21st is the last day of school!! May 22nd is our annual end of the year picnic – this is a fun way to wrap up the school year!**

What's New

Our large group lessons have focused on many things over the past month and a half. Mrs. Campbell did a wonderful unit on germs, complete with a special “germ finding” black light! We also did lessons on peace, which included the peace rose (used for conflict resolution), the love light lesson, and the Black Elk Story. We have also introduced our musical Bells into the classroom (a noise that we, the teachers, are still getting used to!) and are now studying oceans. We look forward to a unit on springtime and flowers next week.

The math area has grown to include basic works on division, while the Language area is expanding with new grammar work. In Practical Life, the children have been tweezing, table scrubbing, and will soon be button sewing. We encourage you to stop by anytime and take a look at some of these new activities – we would love to show you how they work and why it is important for your child to scrub a table!

Our music appreciation is still going strong with selections from Bach, Vivaldi, and Copland. This week, we are listening to Telemann's Viola Concerto.

We have also studied the woodwind family of instruments and have encouraged the children to try to hear them within the music.

As always, please stop by, call, or email anytime!

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