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IMPORTANT DATES

October Birthdays

Cash 10/1
Rizwan 10/9
Adelina 10/16
Jack 10/27

Indigenous People's Day

School Closed 10/9

Picture Day

Tuesday 10/10

Book Orders Due

Wednesday 10/11

Naturescape Day

Thursday 10/19

A NOTE FROM THE TEACHERS

Our class has been enjoying many new lessons and activities. We are learning to play and work together in a peaceful, harmonious atmosphere. Did you know that one of the children's favorite activities is practicing our 'Grace and Courtesy' lessons? We take time to act out various scenarios such as what to say and do to make space for others, how to tuck in chairs and walk around mats, and even how to observe another person's work without interrupting! The children love creating these vignettes and then applying them to real-life situations. We are looking forward to learning more about Maria Montessori and how our classroom is connected to her and her life's work.

"The secret of good teaching is to regard the child's intelligence as a fertile field in which seeds may be sown...Our aim therefore is not merely to make the child understand, and still less to force him to memorize, but so to touch his imagination as to enthuse him to his inmost core."

– To Educate the Human Potential

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BOOKS AND POEMS

Pumpkin Soup

The Little Old Lady
Who Was Not Afraid of
Anything.

Five Little Pumpkins

Maria Montessori

'I Offer Your Peace'

'October'

OCTOBER THEMES

Practical Life: Continuation of preliminary lessons; introduction of Dressing Frames and Polishing lessons; transition to small group snack during Montessori work cycle

Art: Fun with Fall! We will explore color mixing and seasonal art activities with paint and collage creations

Sensorial: Memory and distance games with Pink Tower, Brown Stair, and Cylinder Blocks

Math: One-to-one correspondence games and lessons; counting and cardinality

Language: Phonemic awareness games; vocabulary development through music and poetry; letter sounds and symbols; name recognition and writing practice

Science/Culture: Pumpkins and leaves; Land and Water Forms, Land/Air/ Water booklets and extension lessons

Individualized activities and lessons are recorded on Montessori Compass. Activity Reports are generated and distributed weekly. Check daily for pictures!

The weather is getting cooler and we go out in all types of weather. Please be sure your child has appropriate outdoor clothing (labeled with their name). This is especially important on *Naturescape Day*! Long pants, rugged outdoor shoes, and warmer jackets are best as we spend a portion of the morning lesson time outdoors exploring the forested perimeter of the playground. Thank you!