

## **NEWS FROM KINDERGARTEN**

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We have been having such a wonderful group of students. Their enthusiasm for learning and fun makes it a joy to work with them everyday. This is the beginning classes so we have been trying to focus on calendar activities and normalizing the children. We are beginning to explore how summer is like but we have to realize that children are one step ahead than us. They have already explored that summer is hot.

In a kindergarten different age level children are enjoying and receiving the benefits of different activities such as practical life exercises, sensorial preparation for academic skills by working with the concrete Montessori learning materials. One of the main concepts of Montessori education is that of normalizing children. We teach the children how to do everyday activities necessary for their social, emotional and psychomotor development. This month then normalizing has included how and where to use classroom materials in proper way, good manner and calendar activities. Children need a lot of practice so that these activities can be accomplished. Concentration on these activities at home would be very helpful for your child's learning. This month the class focused on learning the phonic sounds of each letters 'a' to 'o'. Worksheets with pictures of each sound and activities based on it helped to strengthen their learning.

In writing, most of the students can recognize and write upper and lower-case letters Aa to Zz. Our first group students have already completed 'a' sound words in English.

In math, most of the students can read and write numbers from 0 to 50. This month we have been focusing on number activities to strengthen their learning so they are doing other activities such as matching, encircling, sorting the objects (with colors, size and shapes), counting and writing etc.

We have introduced what comes after, geometrical shape – circle, big and small, long and short and same and different. This month we will give the concept of tall and short, more and less, full and empty and geometrical shape- triangle and square.

We are developing curriculum according to seasons in social studies and science. They are learning names of months, days of the week, weather and seasons as they occur. We are introducing seasonal vegetables and fruits day by day to develop the concept of particular items through sensory perception such as observation, feeling, smelling, tasting etc. In class we are exploring the primary colors- red, blue and yellow through various activities.

Many activities are going around in the kindergarten class. Please feel free to visit the classroom. You as a parent are more than welcomed to come and visit your child at work

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