

# Monthly Newsletter: March 2022

# What will the students be up to this month?

## <u>Math</u>

- Continuing to strengthen addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division with the Short Bead Stair and Golden Bead materials
- Continuing to explore Stamp Game and Bead Frame materials
- Introduction to Money

### **Sensorial Skills**

- Refining their sense of sound using the sound cylinders and playing "What do you hear?"
- Quiet/loud and high/low notes with the bells
- Refining knowledge of 2D and 3D shapes
- Continuing to discern varying hues of colors with the color tablets

#### Art

- Painting on the easel with tempera paint
- Painting with watercolors
- Using pastels
- Crayon Melting
- Print making with the kindergarteners

### **Practical Life**

- Washing a dish
- Setting a table
- Clothes folding and hanging
- Clothes "ironing"

## <u>Language</u>

- Parts of speech including nouns, verbs, adjectives and articles using the farm in the language area
- Letter-sound association, sequencing, matching, and categorizing
- Grammar including sentence structure and punctuation with kindergarteners
- Spring Sing Poems

## Science and Geography

- North America in geography
- The scientific method and life cycles, including amphibians and mealworms

## Spanish

- Animals in Spanish
- Los animales (animals) including los animales domésticos (domesticated animals) and los animales salvajes (wild animals

## Music

- Introduction to Notation
- Playing songs on the Montessori Bells
- Playing songs on the Melody Harp

For Your Calendar Tuesday, March 2: Dr. Seuss's Birthday and Pajama Day March 15 – March 19: School CLOSED for Spring Break

## **FYIs and Upcoming Events:**

We will be celebrating <u>Dr. Seuss's Birthday</u> with a <u>Pajama Day</u> on **Tuesday, March 2**. Students may come to school in their pajamas for the day! In honor of Dr. Seuss's birthday, we will be serving a "Green Eggs and Ham" themed lunch on this special day (without the ham, of course).

Our playground is still quite snowy and very muddy in the spots where the snow has melted. For this reason we will be regularly going to Fassbinder "Triangle" Park for recess. It will not be possible to do every day so we still ask that you send your child with their snow bag every day just in case. On recent hot days we have been wearing only snow pants without jackets to protect their clothes from getting too muddy.

We will be **CLOSED the week of March 21 – March 25** for spring vacation. Please be sure to take all winter snow clothes home so we can clean out the bin room over the break. **Please check the lost and found for missing items.** 

# **Sharing**

Sharing takes place on Thursday and Friday mornings at 9:00 and usually only lasts about 10-15 minutes. Please be sure to arrive at school on time for sharing.

The purpose of sharing is to give the children practice with <u>public speaking</u>. The sharing topic list is posted on the bulletin board in the kitchen, on our website, and on shutterfly. We are not as interested in what your child brings within that topic, but more interested in what your child can <u>tell</u> us about it. Sharing is also a great opportunity for the children to practice their listening skills and taking turns. *Please make sure that the sharing item your child chooses is small enough to fit in their bin*.

