



NATURE IMMERSION WEEKLY RECAP

2020 - 2021
BUILDING THE SCHOOL FAMILY
7/20-7/24



MORNING MEETING

MS. MARTHA

Hello Friends! What a wonderful week to start off the school year! We begin each day with our morning meeting. It is a time for us to come together and connect with song, breath, and conversation. This week we've been singing a name song each morning to greet our friends and get to know each other better. After our song we talk about the plan for the day. The picture on our message board gives us a hint about our activity - what a fun guessing game! Then we take some time to notice who is or isn't in class. We take a breath thinking about those who are here and elsewhere and wish all our friends well. We complete our meeting with the reminder that it is Ms. Martha's job to keep it safe and their job to help keep it safe.

BUILDING THE SCHOOL FAMILY

MS. MARTHA

Throughout the school year we will be learning what it means to be part of the school family. Exploring how we can be safe, kind, helpful, and respectful. Learning skills in self regulation, communication, and building our social-emotional intelligence. This week our focus was on building connection and belonging.

This week, Building the School Family included:

- Discussing what a school family is
- Singing name songs and getting to know each other
- Noticing our friends and wishing them well
- Learning the classroom schedule and routines
- Helping to keep it safe by washing our hands
- Keeping our bodies safe by practicing different ways to cool off

PROJECT WORK

MS. MARTHA

Each day we come together during our project work time to explore different materials or tools. On Monday we used water and paint brushes to "paint" all over the classroom. We noticed how the areas we painted became darker and wondered why. One student said "It's because it's wet!" then we watched as the paintings disappeared under the hot sun. On Thursday we had a music mash-up with so many different instruments! We created a parade and danced around our log circle as we played our instruments. It was such a blast! On Friday we made some mud pies, puddles, and potions. Students focused their movements and walked so carefully carrying the water for their creations. The addition of flowers, leaves, and spanish moss made for some pretty tasty soup!

