



## NATURE IMMERSION WEEKLY RECAP

2020 - 2021

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## **NATURE SPOTLIGHT**

MS. MARTHA

On Tuesday while digging in the mud we made an amazing discovery! There was a wiggly squiggly earthworm! Our friends recognized it right away. We watched it move over the soil stretching and shrinking then stretching again. Worms have very sensitive skin so we made a plan to keep it safe by getting our hands wet and muddy before we picked it up. Each friend took a turn either holding the worm or watching it closely. Some friends noticed that it tickled when it wiggled around. We talked about worms and the important jobs worms do. After taking some time to look at the worm we found a home for it in the soft wet soil and covered it with some leaves. I can't wait to discover more worms in our classroom! What wonderful wonders of nature.

## **BOPPING BALLOONS**

MS. MARTHA

We celebrated the week together on Friday with a balloon party! We tossed them high into the air and watched them float down. Some friends went up into our fort and let them fall to the ground. Other friends tried to chase after them, running so fast to hit them again before they could even touch the ground! We tried keeping them up using our hands and feet - even our heads! A few times a gust of wind tried to rush them away but we were able to catch them. Then we decorated them with drawings. A few balloons went POP! What a surprise! We had so much fun!

## **PROJECT WORK**

MS. MARTHA

Our projects this week were full of sensory exploration! On Monday we had a conversation about how things can be similar but not the same. We looked around our classroom to find different things in nature. Then we came together and noticed different things about each and how they had similarities including color, texture, shape, or size. On Thursday we created some oobleck. We mixed the cornstarch and water together in a large container. The cornstarch felt soft and we noticed it change as we added more and more water. At first it turned into clumps, as we mixed it more it became smooth and slimy. If we held it tightly it became a solid but if we let it go it would trickle through our fingers. After exploring it for a while we added in a few drops of food coloring. The color swirling and mixing into the goo was so beautiful! Our friends had so much fun exploring this throughout the day! On Friday Ms. Jenna brought some clay with her for us to create with. It was a deep red and so squishy! The students used their hands to mold it into all different shapes. Then they used the clay with small wooden sticks to build. How cool! Thanks Ms. Jenna!



