







# Nature Immersion Weekly Connection

Week of:	<b>August 13–17, 2018</b>
Conscious Connection	"Education is the most powerful weapon we can use to change the world." – Nelson Mandela
Conscious Commitment 	This week, I commit to seeing all behavior, the good and the less desirable, as communication.
Wish Wells 	<p>Sending well wishes to Ms. Lorelei and Ms. Carmen who had sick little ones at home this weekend.</p> <p>If you know anyone that you'd like us to send well wishes to, please let Ms. Carmen know so that she can add them to our weekly recap.</p>
Celebration 	We had a successful back to school week!
Birthdays 	<p><b><u>Happy Birthday to August School Family Members!</u></b></p> <p>Karl 8/6/14</p>
That was helpful! 	<p>Wow! A huge thank you to Mr. Greco and all those that helped transform our outdoor playscape. The children are having a blast!</p> <p>Thank you to all the families for the school supplies and for your cooperation with our new drop off routines and rituals! Your participation helps to set the children up for success!</p>
NI News 	<p>As a reminder, please keep in mind that drop-off begins at 9am. Unless you have previously signed up for Before-Care at 8:30am.</p> <p>Remember to label your child's belongings: snack containers, lunch boxes, water bottles, backpacks, etc.</p> <p>Parent Jobs: We are still in need of parent helpers for the following positions: Playdough Parent, Garden Coordinator, Volunteer Coordinator, Laundry Helper, Seamstress, Pet Helper (2x),</p>

	<p>Help us build our classroom library and your own at the same time. Scholastic offers great quality books at affordable prices. Our class receives points and free books for every order placed. If you'd like to place an order, go to <a href="https://clubs.scholastic.com">https://clubs.scholastic.com</a>. Our class code is T244Z. The next order will go through on August 31st.</p>
NI Recap	<p>This week was all about establishing routines, rituals and creating safety! Children need to feel a sense of belonging and community in order to feel safe and loved. When they feel safe and connected, they are better able to learn and cooperate. The children were all so excited to return to school and find a whole new and improved outdoor playscape and a ton of new and exciting materials inside. We spent a lot of time discussing ways to keep our school family safe, safe ways to use our new equipment outdoors and the materials inside. This week we made daily commitments keep our self and our friends safe. We focused on using listening ears. Next week, we will focus on using 'helpful words'. Once we've gone through all five commitments, the children will be able to choose their own daily commitment. We ended the week meeting our new friend Jenson and his mom, Lucy. The kiddos had so much fun playing dress up with them in the clubhouse and creating wonderful ideas inside with the loose parts. By the end of the week, we were climbing up the slide safely and taking turns with our friends who were going down the slide!</p>
Afternoon Atelier	
What's coming up...	<p>Next week we will be welcoming a new friend in our MWF school family. We will be discussing the concept of a School Family. What that means, what it sounds like, looks like and feels like.</p>

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