

Nature Immersion Weekly Connection

<p>Week of:</p>	<p>August 27-31, 2018</p>
<p>Conscious Connection</p>	<p>"It takes courage to say yes to rest and play in a culture where exhaustion is seen as a status symbol" - Brene Brown</p>
<p>Wish Wells</p> 	<p>Sending well wishes to our friend Violet who has the flu. Ms. Selina who is feeling under the weather who's been feeling under the weather this week. We have had a few friends out this week. Cold and flu season is quickly approaching. Remember to keep scrubbing and washing those little hands regularly.</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>
<p>Celebration</p> 	<p>This week I heard some of our friends referring to others and the class as "my school family"! It really warms my heart to see that we are building connections.</p>
<p>Birthdays</p> 	<p><u>Happy Birthday to you!</u> Ms. Natalia 9/3 Levi 9/6 Annabella 9/9 Niccodemus 9/10</p>
<p>NI News</p> 	<p>Our next Nature Immersion Community Meeting is Tuesday, September 11 @ 6pm. Feel free to bring snacks to share.</p> <p>I've been surprised to see just how many of our little friends really need those kiss cups! A few of our friends hold on to the kiss cups for hours and others come back and get some lovin' when they feel the need. I'm thinking we need to stock up on those Dollar Tree containers because at this rate they're not going to last the school year!! The drop off routine means so much to them. Please make sure you go through all of the steps with them. Not only does it make for a smooth home to school transition but it reinforces early literacy skills by showing that print has meaning!</p> <p>We are still learning what your child's snack & lunch containers, etc. look like. Please 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:</p>

	<p>Garden Coordinator, Volunteer Coordinator, Laundry Helper, Seamstress, Pet Helper (Tues/Th)</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 https://clubs.scholastic.com. Our class code is T244Z. The next order will go through on Sept 15th</p>
<p>NI Recap</p>	<p>This week we continued to build on the School Family concept. We started yet another school family art project! We committed to gentle touches as a school family and in just a few weeks the children will choose their own commitment for the day. This week we had to take some extra time after play to go back and revisit our routines and agreements on how to keep our materials, classroom and friends safe. That's ok! Most of our friends have only been in this world 3-4 yrs. And some others only 2 yrs!!! We're still learning. The writing area seems to be a favorite of our Tues/Th friends!! Wow! Nearly all of them are choosing to draw cut and color all at the same time. Next week we will continue to reinforce the concept of friends and family. How we can be helpful to our school family and our friends. We will introduce a new I Love You Ritual, Humpty Dumpty. In our version of this traditional rhyme we CAN put Humpty together again!</p>
<p>Afternoon Atelier</p>	<p>This week in Afternoon atelier we started off the week by making friendly snakes out of pipe cleaners, pearler beads and of course some googly eyes! The children concentrated on stringing the pipe cleaners while choosing their favorite color beads and then counting them. We also created a recycled piece of art consisting of pre-cut shapes made out of cardboard. They painted the shapes while identifying and counting them, and then glued them on to a final surface to make a collage. We also shook it up with some splatter art by putting paint, beans, and paper in a jar. The students had fun passing their jars to one another as they all shook up their jars to make a work of art! We ended the week with some scratch of art. I had utilized some pads that you can scratch to expose neon colors underneath. They worked on scratching with pennies and had a wonderful time!</p>
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