

CALENDAR

- 12/8 All-School Meeting
8:45 a.m. (American Room)
- 12/8 Edible House Decorating
Social sponsored by PACE
3:30 p.m. (American Room)
- 12/14 Children's House Open
Classroom: AM Kindergarten Parents
8:45-9:30 a.m.
- 12/14 Children's House Open
Classroom: PM Kindergarten Parents
2:15-3:00 a.m.
- 12/15 Children's House Winter Concert
9:00 a.m. (American Room)
- 12/18 Winter Concert Make-Up Day
- 12/21-1/1 Winter Break: School Closed
- 1/2 School Resumes
- 1/5 PACE Parent Coffee Meetup
and Meeting
8:15 a.m. (American Room)
- 1/5 All-School Meeting
8:45 a.m. (American Room)
ASM Spirit Day
- 1/8 Winter Enrichment Begins
- 1/12 All-School Meeting
8:45 a.m. (American Room)
- 1/15 School Closed: Martin Luther
King Jr. Day
- 1/16 Kindergarten: The Leadership
Year (For Parents) 5:00-6:00 p.m.
- 1/17 Looking ahead to Kindergarten
Observation 9:00-10:30 a.m.
- 1/19 All-School Meeting
8:45 a.m. (American Room)

Our Classroom...

Celebrating Holidays

During the month of November we focused on Diwali, the Festival of Lights. We had many projects and had parents come in to help create some art. Thank you Cameron Slaby, Sunaina Jinna, and Huiqi Gan for helping the children of Dogwood. We also learned several songs for the holiday. In December we will focus on the many holidays celebrated in winter including: Hanukkah, Christmas, and Kwanzaa. We will talk about how each holiday is celebrated around the world.



Sensorial Fun

The Red Rods have many different way to build upon the lesson with extensions to the work. Two of our favorites in Dogwood are to create a Christmas tree or a Menorah with the Red Rods and Knobless Cylinders. It makes the room very festive!

Pumpkin Studies

This month we focused on pumpkins. The room had pumpkin hammering, pumpkin scrubbing, and putting washers on top of the pumpkin stem. The cultural shelf was full of pumpkin works. There were three-part cards about different types of pumpkins. There were different works about the life cycle of a pumpkin. There was a beautiful puzzle about the different parts of a pumpkin. The children greatly enjoyed the pumpkin works!



Giving Thanks!

This month we focused on giving thanks and being grateful for all that we have including the wonderful friends and community we have fostered in Dogwood. The children practiced giving thanks about friends in their class. They also created beautiful hand turkeys as a keepsake for this Thanksgiving! There were also several November crafts the children enjoyed! We are all grateful for the students and teachers in Dogwood!

All the Math!

Our students have been hard at work learning their numbers through a variety of methods! Some are focusing on 1-9, while others are learning the teen numbers, counting by tens, and counting to 100 and beyond! Every child has had a great time learning and growing in the math area and are looking forward to bigger math works!



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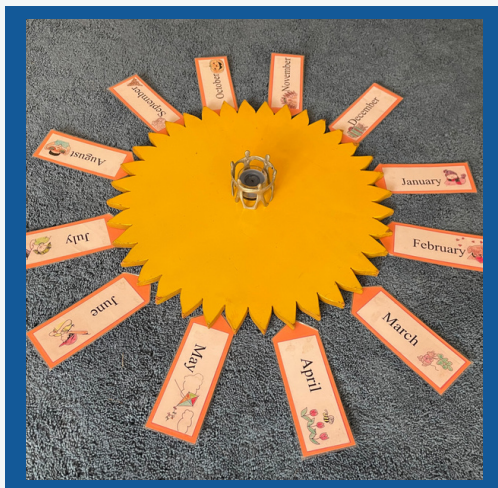
Looking Forward...

Next Month's Topics

- Animals in Winter
- Winter adaptations
- Geography map of South America

Other News

If anyone would like to come in and talk about winter, or help with winter crafts please email Ms. Wilson-Fox!



Happy Birthday!

Charlie: 6 years old on 11/18

Upcoming Birthdays

Roy 5 years old on 1/06
Colette 4.5 years old on 1/12
Ava 3.5 years old on 1/16
Owen 5 years old on 1/17
Evy 6 years old on 1/19
Luna 4 years old on 1/30