

## CALENDAR

- 10/4 All-School Meeting 8:45 a.m.  
PACE Coffee Meetup and Meeting 9:00 a.m.  
ASM Spirit Day  
Pizza Lunch
- 10/8 Children's House Curriculum Workshop: Part 1 5-6:30 p.m.
- 10/10 Portrait Day  
Pizza Lunch
- 10/11 School Closed - Professional Development Day
- 10/14 School Closed - Indigenous Peoples' Day
- 10/16 Andover Parent to Parent Speaker: Lynn Lyons 7:00 p.m.  
34 Sunset Rock Rd, Andover
- 10/18 All-School Meeting 8:45 a.m.  
Pizza Lunch
- 10/25 All-School Meeting 8:45 a.m.  
Pizza Lunch  
CH Dismissal: Main Entrance  
Halloween Fair 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

## Welcome Back to School!

### Here are some highlights from the first few weeks!

Welcome to a new and exciting school year in our Birch classroom! We are thrilled to have your child with us as we embark on another year of learning, growth, and discovery.



### Getting to know you:

The first month of school is always a time of adjustment and settling in. This September, we focused on establishing classroom routines, building relationships, and introducing the Montessori environment to both new and returning students. The children began exploring our carefully prepared environment, engaging with the materials, and getting to know their classmates.



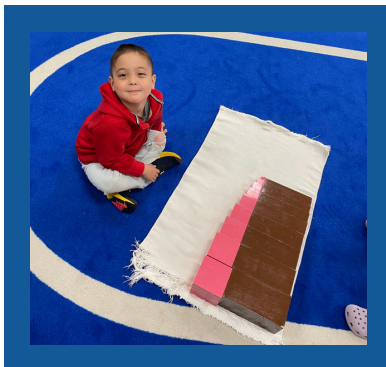
## Practical Life:

Children have been practicing everyday activities such as pouring, spooning, and buttoning. These activities help develop fine motor skills, concentration, and independence, as well as life skills.



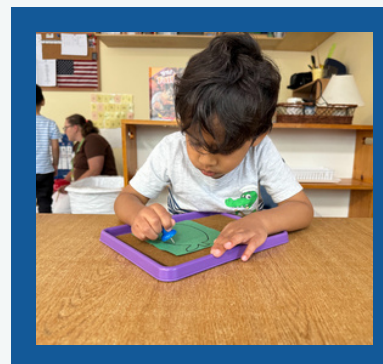
## Sensorial:

The children are exploring Sensorial materials that engage their senses, helping them refine their ability to observe and categorize the world around them.



## Language:

We began with basic phonetic sounds and encourage storytelling and conversations to enrich vocabulary and communication skills.

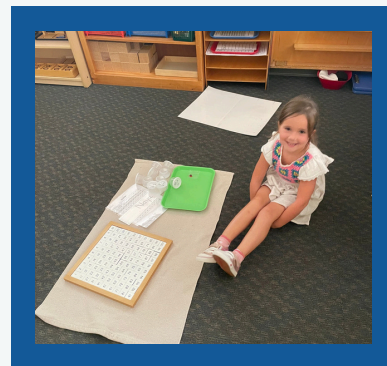


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## Math:

The children were introduced to the numbers, counting, and simple math concepts through hands-on activities and materials. The Montessori materials allow us to meet the children wherever they are within the sequence!



## Cultural Studies:

The children were introduced to geography and the different cultures around the world. We started by exploring maps and learning about our own community.



## Reminders:

- Full-day students: Please remember to pack 2 snacks for your child, one for the morning and one for the afternoon, in addition to lunch. Remember that nothing that contains nuts.
- Don't forget to check your child's belongings regularly to ensure everything is labeled and accounted for.
- Please send your child in appropriate clothing for outdoor play.