

## CALENDAR

- 3/5 Science Fair 6:00- 7:00 p.m.  
All families encouraged to attend
- 3/6 School in session  
No All-School Meeting
- 3/13 All-School Meeting 8:45 - 9:00 a.m.  
Pizza Lunch
- 3/16 Parent-Teacher Conferences for  
CH/LE/US/MS  
*No School - Childcare Fun Days and  
Conference Care available*
- 3/17 Parent-Teacher Conferences  
*No School for CH - Childcare Fun  
Days and Conference Care available*
- LE/UE/MS Parent-Teacher  
Conferences after school  
*Conference Care available*
- 3/20 All-School Meeting 8:45 - 9:00 a.m.  
Pizza Lunch
- 3/27 All-School Meeting 8:45 - 9:00 a.m.  
Pizza Lunch
- 4/2 Kindergarten Field Trip:  
Mass Audubon Society
- 4/3 ASM Spirit Day!  
All-School Meeting 8:45 - 9:00 a.m.  
Pizza Lunch

## Our Classroom...

February has been a joyful and productive month in our classroom! The children experienced colder days and continued their passion of playing in the snow. They continued to grow in independence, concentration, and confidence as they engaged meaningfully with the Montessori materials. Below is a glimpse into the beautiful work happening across each area of our environment.



## Practical Life and Art:

Practical life remains the heart of our classroom. The children are refining their coordination, concentration, and independence through activities such as pouring, spooning, transferring using tongs and chopsticks, food preparation such as strawberry cutting and banana slicing, and care of the environment by sweeping, mopping, and watering plants.

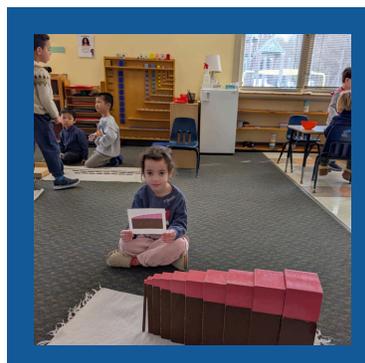
Art has been very popular in the month of February with heart collage and painting, making Valentine's love monsters, and showing creativity with Lunar New Year 2026: Year of the Horse.



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## Sensorial:

In sensorial, the children were introduced to a new activity of matching the picture cards to the controls of the five senses, Smell, Sound, Taste, Sight, and Touch. This activity developed their understanding and judgement of the things in the picture that develop each of their senses, such as petting a cat develops the sense of touch, a rainbow develops the sense of sight, a lemon develops the sense of smell and taste, and so on. They are developing a foundation in math through building patterns with the Pink Tower and Brown Stairs, and Monomial, Binomial, and Trinomial Cubes. Through these activities, children learn to grade, refine visual discrimination, recognize shades of colors, and develop concentration, independence, and confidence.



## Language:

Our language area is blossoming! The children are working with Sound Games, Sandpaper Letters, and Three-Part Cards of Planets as part of our Solar System study this month to refine strong letter sounds, vocabulary, phonetic awareness, and learning to name and spell the planets as part of early reading skills.

The children are developing pencil grip with Pin-pushing and Metal Insets, while many are showing excitement in blending sounds and building CVC (consonant vowel consonant) words, and tracing as part of early writing skills.



## Math:

In math, the children continue refining their skills through hands-on materials such as Number Rods, Spindle Boxes, Sets Basket, 100 Board, Squaring and Cubing Chains, and the 45 Layout. These materials provide a strong foundation for understanding quantity, sequence, and number relationships. To progress into these materials, our younger learners are guided to develop a clear and confident understanding of numbers 1 through 10 in sequence and random order, establishing the essential groundwork. Through picture cards featuring various objects, children practice counting carefully, identifying the total quantity, and matching counters to the corresponding numeral. This purposeful work strengthens focus, concentration, and number recognition in a meaningful and engaging way, laying a solid foundation for future mathematical understanding.



## Culture and Science:

In Culture, the children refined their understanding of the seven continents through hands-on exploration. They traced the world map, carefully colored each continent and ocean, and strengthened their awareness of global geography. They also created three-dimensional continent globes by cutting the two circles, stapling them together, and stuffing them with scraps of paper from the cutting part of this activity. This meaningful activity encouraged recycling and caring for the environment.

In science, the children extended their learning in both zoology and botany. After working with the animal puzzles, as well as the tree, leaf, and flower puzzles, they progressed to coloring and labeling the parts. They explored the Botany Cabinet, learning about different leaf shapes through tracing and cutting activities. February being the Black History Month, we honored famous Black individuals who fought for our civil rights. The children engaged in the scavenger hunt of famous black people in history.



## Looking Ahead...

### Next Month's Topics:

- All about Australia
- Dr. Seuss
- St Patrick's Day