

ISLAND PARK UFSD

UNIVERSAL PRE-K



Time for Creativity

The unit theme we are going to explore this month is the Wonderful World of Color. The Reggio-inspired activity that we plan to create together is a beautiful rainbow display. From this, students will learn that our world is filled with many vibrant colors. We also will work independently on mixing primary colors to create secondary colors while exploring the same theme.

Learning through Play

Q: While playing at the sand table, students questioned which of the senses they could use to learn more about sand?"

A: Children explored by describing what they see, smell, hear, and feel while playing at the sand table. They used different objects to manipulate the sand and make it look and feel different by rolling it out or building it up.

Q: While using blocks as counters in math, students questioned how many ways can they show two groups of 9?"

A: Children solved this problem by counting out 9 blocks and grouping them in different ways. Children were able to count how many blocks were in each group.

Our Newest "Reads"

Ask your child about the facts we learned and the characters we met while reading!

- ◆ *Career Day* by Anne Rockwell
- ◆ *Jack and the Beanstalk* by Barbara Vagnozzi
- ◆ *The Biggest Valentine Ever* by Steven Kroll
- ◆ We continue to practice all of our letter sounds in the alphabet to help us read!!

Math Counts! We can now count to 25.

The number concepts we worked on this month include:

- ◆ *Counting (Number Names to 25)*
- ◆ *Measurement and Data (Describe and compare measurable attributes)*
- ◆ *Geometry (Knowledge of 2 and 3 dimensional shapes)*

Write from the Beginning

We are focusing on writing our first names by using the proper letter formations. We are also beginning to learn how to write capital letters.



Quote of the Month

"Free the child's potential, and you will transform him into the world."

Maria Montessori

Special Thank You to our presenters, Mr. Sodano and Mr. Schueler, for teaching us all about your important jobs as community helpers!

Parent Tip of the Month

- Encourage literacy in your child's daily routines by writing thank-you notes or creating shopping lists together.

