

# ISLAND PARK UFSD

## UNIVERSAL PRE-K



### Time for Creativity

The unit theme we will explore this month is the Wonderful World of Color. The Reggio-inspired activity that we will create together as a group is a spring scene using various classroom materials. While they work on their spring scenes students will imagine they are insects. From this we will learn that our world is filled with spectacular creatures and colors. We will also work independently on blending colors to transition from one shade of a color to a darker or lighter shade while exploring the same theme.

### Learning through Play

**Q:** During morning meeting, a student asked what kind of doctor Dr. Seuss was?

**A:** Students learned the difference between the author Dr. Seuss and a doctor who practices medicine.

**Q:** While learning about clouds for our S.T.E.A.M. topic, a student asked why some clouds look different than other clouds?

**A:** Students learned that there are different kinds of clouds and that they all have their own special features and can also mean different things about the weather.

### Our Newest “Reads”

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

- ◆ *The Cat in the Hat* by Dr. Seuss
- ◆ *The Little Cloud* by Eric Carle
- ◆ *Jamberry* by Bruce Degen
- ◆ All the sounds we know and use to help us read are from A-Z!

### Math Counts! We can now count to 25!

The number concepts we worked on this month include:

- ◆ *Measurement and Data* (compare measurable attributes)
- ◆ *Cardinality* (first, next, last)
- ◆ *Geometry* (knowledge of sorting by categories)

### Write from the Beginning

We continue to write our first names, focusing on using capitals at the beginning of each name and lowercase letters afterwards.

### Quote of the Month

*“Education is a natural process carried out by the child and is not acquired by listening to words, but by experiences in the environment.”*

*Maria Montessori*

*Special Thank You to Ms. Augello for teaching us about how to keep our bodies healthy.*

### Parent Tip

### of the Month

- Read with your children! Reading is a vital skill for children to master, and an important source of knowledge and pleasure that can last a lifetime.

