

FRIDAY FLYER

THE CHILDREN'S ACADEMY

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Jan. 11th – Jan.15th 2010



OPEN HOUSE – The Children's Academy will be hosting an Open House Thursday, January 21st from 6:30 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. Please tell your friends and neighbors about this wonderful opportunity to view the school, meet the teachers and gain an understanding of the Montessori education that your children receive at The Academy.

THANK YOU – To Vicente's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gonzalez for their presentation about Argentina. We learned the tango by watching Mr. and Mrs. Gonzales dance for us and we were all able to try a few steps. It is a very beautiful dance. We all had a great time! Mrs. Gonzalez showed us a beautiful book of Patagonia and many other pictures. We learned that Spanish is spoken in Argentina and that Argentina has a varied landscape.

LOST AND FOUND – Our lost and found now includes many dishes, cookie trays and pans as well as a leather adults glove left at the Holiday Show. If any of these items belong to your family, please come into The Academy to claim them.

SNACK – Thank you to Marco, Mia, and Abigail for sharing snack with their friends.

LITTLE ROOM - Mrs. Lombardi and Mrs. Simmons -

PRACTICAL LIFE – Lid matching and container opening were shown.

SENSORIAL – A shape stacking activity was introduced. The children stack the appropriate shape on the corresponding peg and the challenge of stacking the shapes in the same color order for each peg was presented as well. The Baric Tablets were shown which have the children differentiate from lightest to heaviest weight.

MATH – We have introduced the concept of fractions with a disc fraction activity. We've further supported this work during our snack time when we divide our pretzels from whole to halves to fourths.

LANGUAGE - We continue to discuss the parts of a book. We've been "illustrators" ourselves this week as we worked on our own books for both shape review and Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

CULTURAL – Small cultural dolls from around the globe were shown to the children to encourage our children to understand that are similarities are greater than our differences.

TRANSITIONAL ROOM – Mrs. Tschopp and Mrs. Bottiglieri – This week we talked about the sun. We learned that the sun is really a star and it gives us heat and light. We also learned that the Earth is just far enough away to make our planet the perfect temperature for us.

PRACTICAL LIFE- Our new activities were small pouring to challenge the children and concentrate on their movements in order to be successful. Snow clipping and water pouring were added to refine small motor skills and increase concentration.

SENSORIAL – Winter pom-pom sorting and tin can nesting was added to our shelf to develop sorting skills.

MATH – Our new activities were muffin pan hearts and dice counting. Both activities reinforce number recognition, counting and quantities.

CALENDAR REMINDER

January 18th	Monday	No School Martin Luther King Jr. Day
January 21st	Thursday	Open House (6:30 pm – 8:30 pm)
February 15th – 18th	Monday – Friday	No School – Presidents Week

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