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## *June in Review*

With many adaptations to the new “norms” surrounding us, Discovery Village has been thriving within our classroom PODS. The infants have been engaging in individualized play and preschool children are being innovative and working together while slightly further apart. Our toddlers have the luxury of personalized paint bins, toy bins, and water buckets which let’s face it, they’ve wanted all along! Ensuring the safety and comfort of our villagers is our top priority all while ensuring that they are learning and having fun! We feel so fortunate that our Pre-Kindergarten students were given the opportunity to graduate from Discovery Village and head off to Kindergarten in the fall. We had a lovely outdoor ceremony where the children performed songs and rhymes of all the wonderful new things they learned throughout the year. Spanish, Sign Language, Calendar Days and Months of the Year along with their infamous Planet Song! We are so proud of our 2020 Pre-Kindergarten class as well as their amazing teachers who prepared them for their future.



# Hands-On Learning and Discovery!



Sometimes change can be good! At Discovery Village we have found light within the darkness. We have adapted our classroom practices and curricular goals for our children especially since we have had smaller groups and different approaches to learning. Each day we strive to protect our children and staff while they are not stripped from fun and creativity while learning. Our projects have been colorful and creative while promoting safety and cleanliness for all. The children have been using their own manipulatives and tools to navigate through sensory, art, and exploration within the classrooms. The beautiful thing about children is that they adapt in environments in which they feel comfortable and safe. We are so proud of our teachers for thinking outside of the box and finding new and improved ways to incorporate all components of our curriculum into the daily routines at Discovery Village. Each day we learn new things and how fun can happen in a variety of ways!



# *Employee of the Month*



 Miss Jessica 

**We would like to take a moment to recognize Ms. Jessica as the July employee of the month! We are so glad that Jessica joined our family at Discovery Village as she brings so much to our program. Jessica is a former soccer coach for young children and has many years of experience in Early Childhood Education. Jessica also has experience with a variety of age groups including toddlers, preschool, and school-age children. She also has some Administrative experience too! Talk about a teacher with many talents. Our children enjoy staying active with Ms. Jess and having her here every day so consistently is appreciated day in and day out. Thank you Ms. Jessica for all that you do! We love you!**



## Reminders and Praise for Our Staff

We want to take a moment to thank all of our Teachers who have been caring for our young learners. During the times of a universal crisis, you truly are an inspiration! Your love for our children has shone through day in and day out during our happier days and even more so now.

**Thank you Discovery Village Teaching Staff.**



Staff Birthdays this month:

***Ms. Esmerida – July 16<sup>th</sup>***

## Quote of the Month

