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February in Review

We are so excited to welcome the spring weather! We had so much fun in February with all of the snowfall surrounding us. The classrooms explored in individual sensory bins with the cold snow. Exploring with snow allows children to experience the natural environment while encouraging their open-ended creativity. We celebrated Black History Month and learned about when the first traffic light was created! This was an excellent way to learn about history, practice color sorting, and embrace unification and diversity. We also practiced healthy eating habits! Although we always do with our delicious and nutritious meals that are served daily. We made our own granola in our classroom to involve our villagers in healthy snacking and preparation. The children practiced measuring and mixing and also tasting too! Our amazing families created a Discovery Village Discussion Group for Parents, Teachers, and Administrators to communicate and collaborate! Don't forget to join our **Slack Channel** to jump in on the fun. We'll be meeting quarterly on the first Thursday of the month; mark your calendars for May 6th, August 5th, and November 4th at 8 pm.



Hands-On Learning and Discovery!



“Sometimes all you need is a little splash of color”. Take a look at these awesome activities that came straight from our classroom spaces. Individual sensory bins, fork painting, snow exploration, block building, and apple volcanoes! These are only a few of the many activities that have been blossoming through our curricular focuses in each classroom. The teachers observe the students and engage with them during their exploration and playtime daily. This allows them to pay close attention to their abiding interests and develop activities to encourage their creativity and assist them with self-help skills and exploration. There are opportunities for individual play, cooperative play, parallel play, science, cooking, and social-emotional development. It is so important to target all areas of learning when in the early stages of school to instill a love for learning in the future.



Employee of the Month



 Ms. Yasmill 

We would like to recognize Ms. Yasmill as our March 2021 employee of the month. Not only is March the month of your birthday, but it is a time to honor you for all of your hard work and commitment! Ms. Yasmill has recently been promoted to Curriculum Coordinator where she oversees not only the preschool classrooms but also the Infant and Toddler classrooms.

It is so imperative to have an educational lens to support, guide, and encourage the villagers and teachers at Discovery Village and we are so lucky to have this in you! Yasmill began as a Toddler Teacher and has since been our Pre-K Head Teacher and is now a part of Administration.



Reminders

Don't forget to join our **Slack Channel** to be a part of our Discovery Village discussion group for parents!



Staff Birthdays this month:

March 10th – Ms. Yasmill

March 27th – Ms. Arleny

Quote of the Month

