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## *June in Review*

We welcomed the summer with a BANG at Discovery Village. Our Pre-Kindergarten class rocked their graduation ceremony in their “school shoes” as they showed off their sign language and dance moves! We are proud of our thirteen graduates as they move on to their first experiences in the school system. We are so confident in their abilities to thrive and grow in Kindergarten. Our villagers spent a lot of time outdoors in June exploring with chalk, taking nature walks, and bringing natural materials into our classrooms. We discovered insects and created bird feeders for the birds outside too! The items that were collected were used for manipulatives in sensory bins or to create artwork for our classroom spaces and hallways. We look forward to our water play days in the sun and hope that everyone stays cool and has an amazing summer! Stay tuned for more learning, discovery, socialization, and FUN!



# Hands-On Learning and Discovery!



We are so proud of our teachers for growing and experimenting with a variety of activities in the classrooms. Our Reggio-Inspired approach is flourishing and evolving through hands-on discoveries and explorations in every classroom. Giving children materials and providing them with the opportunity to explore, create and execute their own vision is what we are all about. Child-directed art and activities are happening throughout the day where the children's inquisitive thoughts and desires are being supported through play, outdoor experiences, and interactions with their peers and the world around them. The implemented activities include sensory experiences, fine and gross motor experiences, literacy and language exposure as well as art, science and math activities too! It's so much fun in the early childhood space.





# *Employee of the Month*



We would like to recognize Ms. Paola as our July employee of the month! Ms. Paola has been here for many years before we were even Discovery Village. It has been delightful to have her back with us as an amazing Head Infant Teacher. Ms. Paola, you bring so much love and color to your classroom. You are so wonderful with the infants and your love and knowledge of young children shines through your hard work and dedication. We feel honored to have you as a part of our teaching team and the children are so lucky to have you here every day. Congratulations!



## Reminders

Discovery Village will be **closed** on **Monday, July 5<sup>th</sup>** in honor of Independence Day. We will be closed September 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> for our Staff Development in service as well as September 6<sup>th</sup> for Labor Day.



Staff Birthdays this month:

*July 23<sup>rd</sup> – Ms. Leidy*

## Quote of the Month

