



# PATHWAY MONTESSORI



## May Flowers & Spring Showers

Some of the new activities that the children are enjoying in the Practical Life area is pouring water with a funnel, using an eye dropper, grinding with a mortar and pestle and wood and mirror polishing. Other activities being practiced are tracing numbers & letters in the sand tray, creating words with the moveable alphabets and working on geography puzzle maps.

An ongoing Montessori practice we strive to instill is "Grace and Courtesy". Some examples are being quiet and paying attention when someone else is talking and learning not to interrupt. We encourage children to put their hand on our arm or shoulder and wait when the teacher is

busy or talking to someone else. We have a peace flower which is sometimes used when there is a conflict or someone is upset. Other points of interest being taught are making eye contact, table manners, blowing one's nose, learning to stand in line, taking turns, listening to directions, speaking softly, greetings, being kind and giving thanks.

At Easter time we made crafts such as sun catchers, bunny hats, and eggs in a basket. We also enjoyed an Easter egg hunt out in the playground. Their favorite game was "Sleeping Bunnies" and at Storytime they enjoyed "Angela's Airplane" & "The Paper Bag Princess" by Robert Munsch.

**Field Trip/Professional Dev Day** - there will be **no class on Friday May 19th**. We will be using this day for both a field trip and a professional development day. We are still waiting for field trip details and will keep you posted.

For Earth Day children created beautiful earth day crafts with a focus on "reuse, reduce and recycle". In science they made butter out of heavy whipping cream. All the children helped shake the jar while singing "Shake it, shake it, shake it, shake it all you can. Shake it like a milkshake and pass it to your friend." They observed how it changed from whipped cream into butter.

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### Dates this Month

**May 14** – Happy Mother's Day!

**May 19** –Field Trip / PD Day – No Regular Classes

**May 22** - Victoria Day – No School

## Sound Basket this Month

Children love to share. One way that they can do this is to bring an item to school that starts with the sound of the week. These items will help introduce and reinforce the phonetic sounds of the letters. The item is placed in the sound basket, and find items that start with that particular sound of the week. We have recently

decided because of our busy agenda at circle to make Thursdays and Fridays the days we go through all of the things that were collected during the week.

- May 1-5 "sh" as in shell
- May 8-12 "ch" as in chips
- May 15-19 "th" as in thread
- May 22-26 "wh" as in wheat



### Happy Birthday!

**May 10**  
Kaley Brown Age 5

**May 18**  
Coco Notice Age 5

**May 30**  
Tess Ramsay Age 5

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## REMINDERS:

### Communication

We are always interested in hearing anything that may be good info for us to set up your child's day when dropping off. Please let us know of any bumps or bruises, lack of sleep, potty issues etc.

### Summer Program

is underway for the months of July and August. Children between the ages of 2.5 and 6 years old qualify to attend. You may enroll your child by the week or by the month. We sent the form out by email or there are copies available at school.

### Registration for 2023-2024

We only have a few spots left. If you know of a friend or neighbor that is interested, please refer them to our email [pathwaylangley@gmail.com](mailto:pathwaylangley@gmail.com) to set up a tour or request a registration form.

### Special Classroom Number for Parents

If you will be away from school or late for pick up or would like to reach the teachers directly, please call or text our parent line that connects directly with the classroom, that number is (778) 872-8537

### Annual Evacuation

At this time of year, we practice our annual emergency evacuation drill where we take our earthquake supplies with us to the Fort Langley library which is our designated meeting spot in case of an emergency.

## Year End Plans / Thank You

### The Last Day of Classes

Monday June 26th will be a half day and we are inviting the parents of the children moving onto kindergarten for a short Graduation Ceremony from 11:00 -12:00 .

Graduating children will wear grad hats, give a short presentation, and receive certificates. Graduation attendance is limited to 2 guests per child. Please let us know if your child cannot attend.

### Year End Picnic

We will host a picnic Tues June 27th at Fort Langley Park at 9089 Nash Street at 10 am. At 11:00 all of the children will give a little performance

on the stage that is in the park. Please bring your own picnic. Refreshments and ice cream will be provided. Please let us know if your child will not be able to attend.

### Thank you!

Thank you, Emmett, for the cupcakes and fruit! Thank you, Teacher Sarah, for the puzzles and toys! Thank you, Harrison, for the book! Thank you, Oliver, for the Teacher's chocolates and fruit snack for the children! Thank you, Elise, for the muffins! Thank you, Sophia, for the scooter! Thank you to Harrison's Dad, Trevor, for the big wooden stumps that he delivered to our playground!



*"The greatest sign of success for a teacher, is to be able to say the children are now working as if I did not exist." - Maria Montessori*