

Hello Room 2 Families,



We had a smooth transition to the new school year. The children have started off the year with such enthusiasm! Ms. Veronica and I loved to see the children interacting with each other with love and respect. We worked on lessons in grace and courtesy and focused on the process of normalization. We also worked on some basic exercises such as using walking feet, pushing in and pulling out chairs, rolling rugs, putting work away after completion and washing hands to name a few. The children enjoyed traveling all around the world and learning the names of the continents. We learned about the parts and life cycle of an apple. It was fun to watch them learn about the parts of a turtle since I would see them walk up and observe the two live turtles in the class. They named them Blueberry and Green Turtle!

Let our world travels begin! During the month of October, we will be touring Australia to learn about the country, its unique landscape, and talk about the people and their culture. The animals found on this fascinating continent are always intriguing and exciting to learn about. We will work on art projects related to the topic along with some Halloween themed art. The puzzle map of Australia will also be presented to the children. For Art, the children will be introduced to Van Gogh's art, as we will be working on artwork based on the famous 'Starry Night'. I will play music from the Australian subcontinent, which will include traditional musical instruments, along with some folk music.

Our study of science includes the subject of living and nonliving things. We will create a collage with pictures of living and nonliving things as a group project. We will also study about the parts and the life cycle of a fruit as we will be learning about pumpkins. Our Spanish lesson for the month is about colors. Color Tablet boxes 1 and 2 will be used to introduce the names of colors in English and Spanish.

Don't forget Friday is share day! The children can bring something from home to share with the class. This is a good opportunity for them to address a small group of friends and talk about something they like.

Being able to respect and take care of the environment is a big part of the Montessori philosophy. I invite your child to bring a small child size indoor plant with a drip dish, so they can learn to take care of it through the year. Also, please be on the look out for information regarding our Halloween celebrations and School Picture Day!

I am so happy to be working with your precious children! Please email me at [marian@fvmontessori.com](mailto:marian@fvmontessori.com) if you have any questions.

Thanks

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