

Toddler News

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Amherst Montessori School



Winter Wonderful!!!

As I am writing this, snow is beginning to fall and the children have all left from school early. The anticipation of snow is upon us and visions of children riding in sleds, shoveling and eating fresh snow are in our heads! Despite the lack of a white-blanketed ground, the children have been enjoying playing outside. Still pulling the sleds, they now place objects in it to tote along.

Red, purple and pink dot the classroom in art, transfer, water and matching activities. They have loved making hearts for you!

The children are all taking pride in doing self-care and care of environment activities. These include vegetable/fruit washing, scrubbing tables and chairs, and brushing their hair. Soon we will begin tooth brushing. More information on this will come soon.

Welcome to Estella Grow and her mom Elizabeth. We are delighted to have them a part of the Toddler class and the AMS community.

HAPPY, HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Caedmon, Agustin and Estella. Thank you all for the birthday book donations to our classroom!



Maple has returned to our class! The children were very excited to walk in one day in early February to find Maple back! He has received much love and attention. Thank you for continuing to bring in fresh veggies for him. We love feeding him and taking him out to feel his soft fur.

Please remember to label everything! This also applies to winter wear. This will minimize the misplacement of items.

On another note, if you need emergency aftercare, it is available until 4:00 pm. Please give at least one days notice (the day before) if you need your child to be here past 4:00.

It is hard to believe that February Vacation is already here. The winter is moving fast.... Kristie will lead camp with Janice assisting her. Janice is wonderful and was here last summer for Summer Sessions.

The Winter Song
(Each line is repeated twice)

It is winter
That's when the snow falls
Onto the rooftops
Onto the ground
When it gets deep
Then we have to shovel it
And fall right down



Montessori at home.....

Toddlers want to be a part of creating their community. They love to participate in important tasks. Involve your child in meal preparation by giving him a vegetable brush to scrub carrots, cukes, apples, pears, etc. You can also have them help break apart broccoli, cauliflower, etc, to add to dishes.