

Children's House Two

February 2020 Newsletter

Calendar of Events

Wednesday, February 12:
Primary Parent Ed. Night at 6:00

Friday, February 14:
Staff Work Day - No School

Monday, February 17:
President's Day - No School

Tuesday, March 3:
Parent/Teacher Conferences - No School

Wednesday, March 4:
Parent/Child Night - 4:20-6:00

Birthdays! 🎈

Happy Birthday to Sutton, Lydia,
and Patrick!



Pictured above: Harriet and Fin the Beta Fish.



Pictured above: Lilly and Meli the Leopard Gecko.

January Overview

What an exciting month January has been! Our class has been busy learning about our first two classes of vertebrates: fish and reptiles. Our class is fortunate to have examples of both in our classroom; Fin the Beta fish and Meli the Leopard Gecko! As a class, we discussed the characteristics of each; such as, Fin and Meli both have backbones, breathe air, and (most) hatch from eggs. We also learned the differences between the two groups of vertebrates; fish live in water whereas most reptiles live on land. Fish have slimy skin and scales while reptiles have rough, hard, dry skin. The children enjoyed the opportunity to learn more about fish and reptiles by reading various books and singing catchy songs during group. Our favorite songs were "Slippery Fish" and "There Was A Little Turtle".



Spanish Corner with Ms. Maria



Pictured above: Blythe working with the first six months of the year in Spanish.

During our morning Spanish lessons, together we reviewed los colores with a new sorting work that consists of different beautiful pictures and labels.

In addition to reviewing los colores, we learned about los meses del año (months of the year), the first six meses are: enero (January), febrero (February), marzo (March), abril (April), mayo (May), y junio (June).

Last but not least, we learned how to say pez (fish), and sapo (frog), as we explored the five different types of vertebrates.

Sing along with your children la cancion del sapo.

Habia un sapo, sapo, sapo,
Que nadaba en el río, río, río
Con su traje verde, verde,
verde,
Y tenia frío, frío, frío.

Upcoming Study

This month we'll be immersing ourselves into our second continent of study, Asia. Fortunately, Ms. Jaime, from Children's House III, lived in China for a few years and is sharing some of her personal artifacts for our class to work with. We are so thankful for this opportunity. The four main countries we will be studying are, China, India, Japan, and Russia. Throughout this unit we will be learning about Asian culture, foods, clothing, music, traditions, and geography. "Share" on Friday's would be a great opportunity for your child to bring in any Asian artifacts your family may have to share with our class.

After the conclusion of our Asia unit, we will move on to our third class of vertebrates: amphibians. Our primary focus will be on the various types of amphibians, their distinct characteristics, and lifecycle. February is sure to be a month full of learning and excitement!

Kindergarten Corner

Our study of Asia could not be starting at a better time, the Chinese New Year was on Saturday, January 25th! All of Galilee Montessori's Kindergartners celebrated the Lunar New Year by visiting Judy's Sichuan Cuisine and enjoying a delicious lunch together. This was a special opportunity to go out to a restaurant and practice their grace and courtesy skills. There was a beautiful array of various Chinese dishes. The children cleaned their plates and thoroughly enjoyed tasting authentic Chinese foods!

