



Looking ahead:

May 30 - No School, Memorial Day

Snack, Flowers, Laundry - Ava

“Our schools show that children of different ages help one another. The younger one sees what the older ones are doing and asks for explanations. There is a communication and harmony between the two that one seldom finds between the adult and the small child.” - Dr. Maria Montessori

The children of Violeta will welcome new friends into our beautiful classroom in the fall!

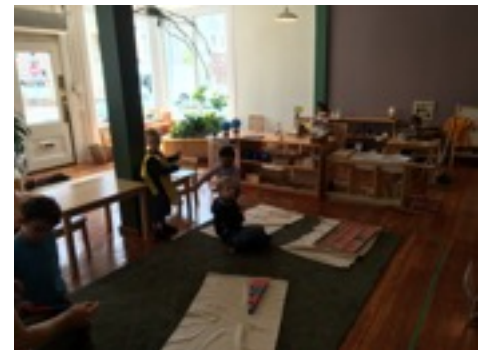
Over the past nine months, our children have worked extensively with Practical Life activities. Over the summer continue to provide the children lots of free choice in doing purposeful work, let them concentrate, and foster their inner need to be an independent member of your family.

As the seasoned sophomores, our children will carry forward to our new friends in the fall how we function in Violeta within our respectful, peaceful community. Specifically, the lessons of Grace and Courtesy (such as greeting, using courteous language, using a tissue, rolling a rug, tucking in a chair, and how to gain someone’s attention) will be opportunities for the children to role model for their new friends how to be a citizen of Violeta. These skills, if supported over the summer, will empower our children to be strong mentors in September and become citizens of the world!

At this time of the year, all the children should be comfortable *independently* making choices, caring for their biological needs, and verbally expressing themselves. Use the summer to further each of these critical skills for building *independence*. Have the children choose between two shirts **and** put it on independently. Dressing one’s self as well as eating with utensils and using the bathroom are critical to freely functioning in Violeta! By removing any and all obstacles to the children’s independence, the children gain freedom and self-confidence in being able to satisfy their own needs.



I chose to work on all 4 cylinder blocks!



We are all free to work!



I like showing my parents what we learn and how we work in Violeta!



We celebrate each life because everyone is important and has a story to share!