



“... now we see the class calm. The children come into contact with reality, their occupations have a definite aim, such as to dust a table, remove a stain, go to the cupboard, take a piece of the apparatus, use it properly, and so on.... Then, one day, one of these tiny spirits will awaken, the inner ‘self’ of some child will go out to an object which it will temporarily possess, his attention will focus on the repetition of an exercise, the doing of which brings increased skill, and the child’s radiant and contented manner will show that his spirit has been reborn.”
(M.Montessori, *The Absorbent Mind*, 334–336)

Looking Ahead

Oct 6. No School. Professional DD
Oct 9. No School. Indigenous People’s Day
Oct 14. 12-4pm. Wildflower Community Fair.
 At Sennott Park
Oct 18. 6pm. Wildflower Network Parent Evening
 9/25 Snack, laundry, flowers: **Isabella**



I hold the brush lightly and get just the right amount of water for my watercolor creation



Apple Season! We enjoyed exploring all types of apples with interesting names!



I am invited to observe Mina’s lesson

Our aim during these first weeks in Violeta is to connect the children to the environment. Our aim is to guide each child to find activities that will call her to invest her whole personality in the pursue of a “work”. This is the aim of the activities in our prepared environment, and our aim when we give a particular lesson to a particular child. We are not here to entertain the children, but to support them in their search for that object, that activity, that purpose, that will resonate with their own particular personality each day. When the child finds this work she is at peace, she is joyful and calm, she is confident. Anxiety is gone, she feels no need for the adults around her, she can self-regulate, she finds her self, she starts to feel the joy of her own developing personality. Our responsibility as adults is to support the children in this pursuit towards independence and confidence in their own abilities for self-construction. Children feel what we feel, if we are anxious, they will be anxious, if we are doubtful, they will be doubtful. When you leave your child in Violeta, if she is distressed, know that she is only a few tears away from having a great day!
Every day of our week was a beautiful day.



Scooping acorns, they make such an interesting sound!



Color tablets, can you find something purple in Violeta?



There are so many geometric shapes to explore in our Geometric Cabinet!



Taking care of our plants