



“The child who has felt a strong love for his surroundings and for all living creatures, who has discovered joy and enthusiasm in work, gives us reason to hope ... hope for peace in the future”

- Dr. Maria Montessori

This has been a fantastic week at Violeta. We have the sandpaper letters on a beautiful wall shelf, thank you Carl! Raj visited our classroom to take photographs for our website, thank you Raj! We also have a new newsletter design thanks to Kim Smith, our dear Wildflower Network artist. We had some beautiful days with children working joyfully and peacefully. There was a lot of cleaning windows, table scrubbing and juicing oranges, new and fascinating activities in our environment. We explored leaves, apples and the anatomy of ears. And, we started walking to the park! We met many neighbors along the way: the most interesting auto repair garage, the barber, the architect who never eats his apple, and the owner of the Dalia garden! Thank you to all our enthusiastic chaperones: Robin, Elena, Carmen, Sangitaji, Alejandra and Daniela. They walked with us up and down Broadway. Going to the park is a process with many steps, we have to put on shoes and jackets, stand in a line, hold on to the red rope and walk behind a friend all the way there!

Looking ahead:

- Nov 5/6. Parent/Teacher Check-Ins
- Nov 6. Parent Fridays begin!
- Nov 11. No school. Veteran's Day
- Nov 14. Wildflower Info Session at Violeta, 2pm.
- Nov 18. Violeta Parent Evening.

Flowers, Snack, Laundry 10/26: Rohit



Our new Sandpaper Letters help us develop our hand to form cursive letters for writing, say the sounds we see, and train our ears to identify individual sounds! And they are so



And we are off!



There are so many parts to an ear! Three part classification cards help me self-correct my work.



Socks and shoes are so tricky! But we can always count on a friend!



What comes next? So many steps in scrubbing a table! I am exercising my working memory, my perseverance, as well as my hand for writing.