



Looking ahead:

Saturday, Nov 14 - Wildflower Network Parent Info-Session, 2PM at Violeta

Mon, Nov 16 - UMass Filming Violeta

Wed, Nov 18 - Violeta Parent Evening, 6PM

Snack & Laundry - 11/16, Alvar

“An interesting piece of work, freely chosen, which has the virtue of inducing concentration rather than fatigue, adds to the child’s energies and mental capacities, and leads him to self-mastery.”

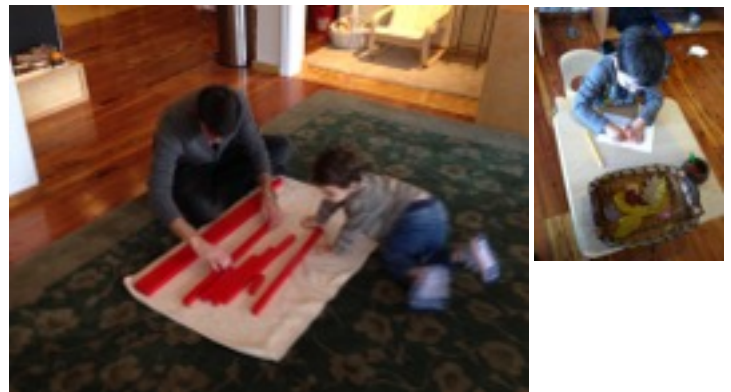
-Dr. Montessori, (*The Absorbent Mind*, p. 207)

We have furthered our investigation of autumn leaves through the classification -or parts of- a leaf! Crayon rubbing provided an artistic means to studying the veins and margins of the numerous leaf-shapes we have discovered in our neighborhood. These interesting occupations give each child the opportunity to make a choice to do *something* purposeful throughout the day. Each choice a child makes in his/her daily life adds to the development of the child’s will. The will is strengthened through practice.

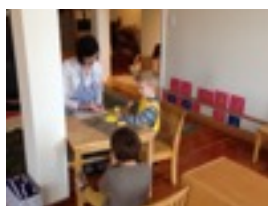


When I paint with water colors I follow a process that engages my mind and hand!

When I visually discriminate the red rods my whole body is engaged in the activity!



Marcia Hubelbank, Wildflower Network Faculty joined us for *Movement and Music!*



When I peel, slice, and prepare an egg I focus my attention on the process including restoring the work back to the shelf for the next person! Afterwards I can share it my friends for snack.