



Looking ahead:

Mar 19-30 - Spring Break & Spring Playgroup

Apr 11 - Violeta Parent Montessori Evening

Mon, April 2: Snack & Laundry - Ellie

Log-in to smile.amazon.com, click on "Violeta" & Amazon will donate to us!

"When these children from the streets and from the asylum entered my school they were greeted with hearty manifestations of welcome and with genuine cordiality. For the first time they were made to feel that they were wanted and desired. There was not the slightest suggestion of suppression or of strict vigilance... I was like a Turk in a bazaar. Upon the arrival of a customer for whom he has anxiously awaited, he showers him with compliments and with courtesy, sings the praises of his wares, and abides the opportune moment when the customer shall become interested in some particular article."

~Dr. Montessori

This wonderful quote by Dr. Montessori perfectly illustrates how our children are welcomed each day in Violeta! The Teacher Leaders await - observing carefully what in the environment sparks a curious interest in a child - the opportune moment to connect the child to that interesting object. Once the child receives the demonstration on *how* to use the object, the child is then free to take it and work with it. This is "freedom within limits".

This plan of action requires all the adults to be part of the children's prepared environment: here is an authentic opportunity to align home and school. How do we prepare the children to be active participants in Violeta or in our homes? How do we empowered our children to make choices on a regular basis? Enjoy some beautiful views from your homes illustrating joyful opportunities where the children are participating and making choices!



Jasper matching footprints to creatures!



Lillian & Finn mixing drinks at Lone Star Taco Bar!



Luke, Johann & the family at Drumlin Farm admiring newborn lambs!



Ellie painter her new home!



Aahana making a volcano!



Derin shoveling snow!



Vivian's sensorial exploration of snow!



Corazón in the snow!



Mina & Sohrab enjoying the snow!