

January 2025

# Newsletter

## Language Area

We will be making crafts and projects that use this month's sounds. The Chinese sounds will be 日, せ, 尸, ち, 厶 and 儿 . Chinese poem 放鞭炮 . We are also working on 荷花荷花幾月月開 . In the English classroom, the sounds of the month are Nn, Kk, Pp, Ll and blue picture reading and continue with pink spelling cards. The English poem will be Solar System in Motion.

The essence of independence is to be able to do something for ones self.

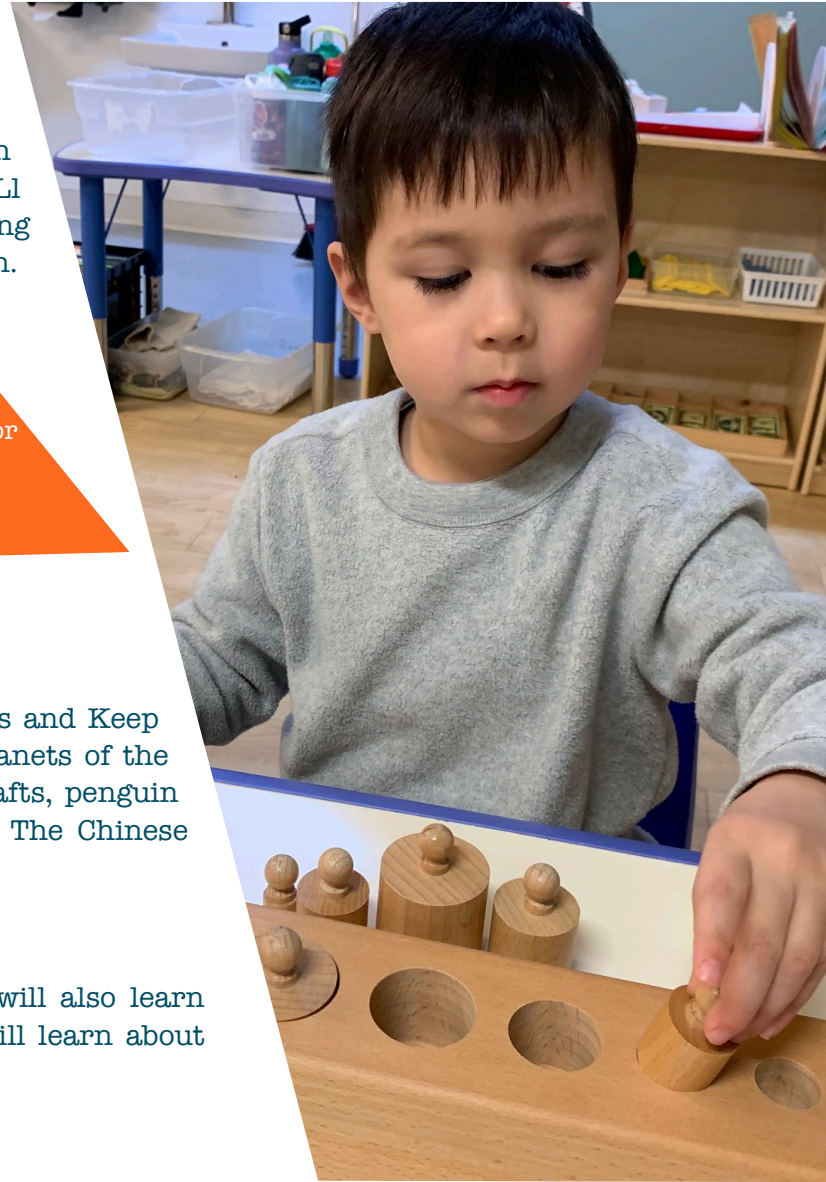
— Maria Montessori

## Art and Music

The English classroom's songs are Make New Friends and Keep the Old, Little Snowflake and The Planet Song - 8 Planets of the Solar System. For art, we will make solar system crafts, penguin and snowflake crafts, and Chinese New Year crafts. The Chinese class will learn 恭喜恭喜 and 新年好 .

## Science and Geography

This month's science topic is the solar system. We will also learn about volcanoes and mountains. In geography, we will learn about Africa.



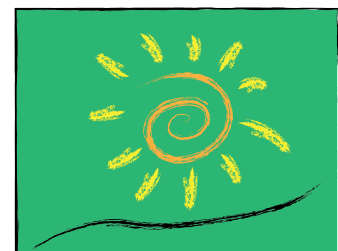
## Calendar

**1/1 - SCHOOL CLOSED for New Years**

**1/20 - SCHOOL CLOSED for Martin Luther King Jr. Day**

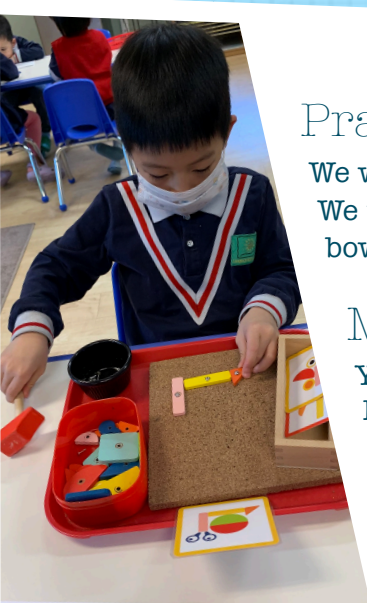
**1/17 - Make Chinese Dumplings**

**1/29 - Chinese New Year Potluck (11:30am-1:00pm). Every family can bring a dish to share. \* Food to share must be prepared in a professional kitchen, by a restaurant or supermarket - this is for safety. \***



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## Practical Life Area

We will work on how to use spoons and tongs; and we will practice with pouring materials. We will continue with pushing in chairs, putting work away in the right place, lacing and bow frames, buttoning jackets, polishing shoes, sifting, ladling, washing babies and I Spy.

## Math Area

Younger children will continue with quantities of each number. They will do this while learning how to trace numbers and recognize written numbers. They will also use the unit color beads frame. Older children will be working on place value and addition. They will also continue with carrying over and borrowing units of tens, hundreds and thousands. We will also work with subtraction boards.

## Sensorial Area

The senses the child will refine by using sensorial exercises during a sensitive period of growth are visual, tactile, auditory, gustatory, olfactory, basic, thermic and stereognostic. Sensorial works also prepare children for math, geometry, language, writing and logical thinking. This month we will work on constructive blue triangles. This work allows a child to explore the world of geometry, the shapes triangles create, and improve concentration, coordination, independence, and problem solving skills.



“Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself.”

— John Dewey

