

PARENT NEWSLETTER



In this picture: Our friend Rachel planting her lima bean seedlings.

DISCOVERY ZONE

Themes

This month we explored the concept of growth. We focused on the following subthemes to help us gather a better understanding on things that grow and our role in influencing growth: Things that grow, How things grow, and Self.

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Invitation to explore: Children were invited to explore the plant life cycle by investigating how lima beans grow.

Activities

Some of our activities included reading books such as *Call Me Tree* by Maya Christina Gonzales, and *A Tiny Seed* by Eric Carle as part of our plant life cycle investigation. We explored different seeds including lima beans, black beans, acorns, and pine seeds. We planted lima beans and observed the changes as time went on. We also learned about the butterfly life cycle. We even named our 5 classroom caterpillars "Bibi," "The baby," "Ladybug," "Papi," and "Kenny." Currently, our caterpillars are in their cocoons and we are very excited to see the butterflies emerge!



B is for Butterfly!
Our friend Arianna is filling in the empty spaces of the letter B with various colors of paper to create butterfly wings.

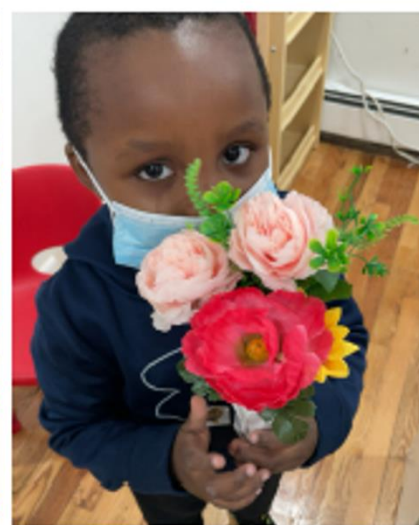
MEMORABLE MOMENTS



C is for Caterpillar! Our friends are busy tracing the letter C with glue to then put on pompoms to create caterpillars.



Our friend Justice explored the new books in the library. Here he is identifying the colors of the butterflies!



For May our dramatic play area became a flower shop. Our florist Ayanleh created the most beautiful bouquet!



JUMP FOR SUCCESS

GLIMPSE OF JUNE

For our last exploration, next month we will be exploring the concept of change. We will be looking at our baby pictures and explore how babies grow and change. We will also be experimenting with different substances to see how we can influence change in texture or appearance. Lastly, we will discuss the transition to pre-k.

Family engagement activities:

- Take a clipboard with paper and writing tools as you go on a community walk. Allow your child to create a storybook based on things they see in their community
- Continue exploring baby pictures. Look at baby pictures of different family members and discuss the changes/growth
- Read books about going to preschool / going to a new school / new teacher / new friends

FRIENDLY REMINDERS

Health screenings must be completed daily before drop-off or at the door for entrance. If completed online, you must show clearance at the door or send to Ms. Kathy via email.

Copy and paste the link below for the online screening:

<https://healthscreening.schools.nyc>



Moving up Ceremony



Please join us in congratulating the class of 2022 on [June 21st at 9:30AM!](#)

Please check your email or ClassDojo tomorrow for more information regarding this special event!

We look forward to seeing you there!

