

Suns Class News

October 2011

Our staff went to a workshop last week with Professor Dan Gartrell. He spoke about readiness, and emphasized that there is so much more to it than learning letters and numbers (facts). Real readiness for school (and life) is more about experiencing yourself as a confident learner. He spoke about children getting so engaged in activities that their attention spans are longer than ours! This opportunity is provided when children can choose activities that interest them and focus on them for long periods of time. We are thankful to be able to offer this in a Montessori program. There was much more - we felt inspired and renewed in relating to the students. ☺

The non-napping students have been enjoying Spanish daily with Mrs. Garcia and Mrs. Lopez. They learned colors and body parts, and will focus next on families. In Oct. we will start Spirit Fridays - wear your shirts! We will join with the Stars class and do some cooperative games and songs on the lawn.

We will learn about Fall, trees, and families in October. We try to stay low key about Halloween at school, (no costumes or candy please!) We WILL enjoy plenty of fun art activities, songs and stories about Halloween, and of course the children love to talk about what they are going to be! ☺ We will also plan a pumpkin patch field trip, more info to follow.

Warm Wishes,

Mrs. Deacon, Mrs. Garcia, and Mrs. Lopez

REMINDERS:

- Observations are from Oct. 5th – 20th
- Conferences will be held on Oct 31st & Nov 1st.