

# MAY 2021

Building the Foundation for Growth.



## Materialistic Perspective during Children’s Artistic Inquiries

Think about these phrases: “The chalk marked child’s finger. The fabric hugged the child’s whole upper body. The paint left a mark on the brush’s texture on a flat white paper. The clay invited the child to squish, pound, and poke.” All these phrases have one thing in common, all these materials are doing, acting, and inviting the other. These are artistic materials. Artistic materials are materials that are used during artistic moments. Humans can be artistic materials as we are involved, and materials invite us to collaborate.

### **Children’s artistic moments**

When we view children’s artistic moments during explorations as material perspectives, we will be able to see how these artistic gatherings collaborate. Not only how a child draws or dances, but we are also able to see

from the material’s perspective which will give more meaning and value to the exploration. It won’t be child-centered or human-centered exploration as BC Early Learning Framework proposes, it is about living with others and all world relations. Also, we can inquire with deeper questions and comments during the explorations which can develop into a long-term project. The article by Pacini-Ketchabaw et al. (2014) suggests that “[materials] can evoke memories, narrate stories, invite actions, and communicate meanings” (p. 1). The authors continue to question readers to shift their thoughts on materials during explorations...

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## Important Dates

### **SUN MAY 9**

Mother’s Day!

### **WED MAY 19**

[Early Dismissal](#) for Porter Elementary.

### **THURS MAY 20**

[Early Dismissal](#) for Porter Elementary.

### **FRI MAY 21**

Pro-D Day for Porter Elementary.  
OSC available.

### **MON MAY 24**

Victoria Day: Center closed



## Reminders

- As the weather is getting warmer and sunnier, please remember to send sunscreen, hats, and anything else necessary to protect the little ones from the sun. Please label these belongings as well.
- **MARK THE DATE: June 18<sup>th</sup> is Graduation Day!** This year we will be doing virtual graduation again. The video will be released on June 18<sup>th</sup> and more info will be given to families soon.
- **Important:** If children are not attending daycare on any given day, please notify staff so that we know not to expect them.
- The monthly theme is animals, five senses, and Mother's Day. All groups will be exploring various animals and creative ideas for five sense and Mother's Day!
- Scholastic flyers have been sent through Himama. Our class code is RC149292

## Program Highlights

This month we will be exploring Mothers Day, Animals, and Five senses!



## Activities for Home and at School



### Earth Day and Children

Wonder how to celebrate earth day every day with your kids? Check out our article with our top activity ideas.

[Watch the video.](#)



### How to Celebrate During the Pandemic

Times are still very tough especially for children. We have 5 ways to celebrate children's events during the pandemic!

[Watch the video.](#)



Building block time in our Extended Preschool.



Circle time in preschool. Learning about the calendar.



Daycare children made car wash lane!



Group Daycare children during Animal Play.

FOR ANY ENQUIRIES, PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO REACH OUT BY EMAIL OR PHONE.

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