

Welcome to our Pre-K 4 Program

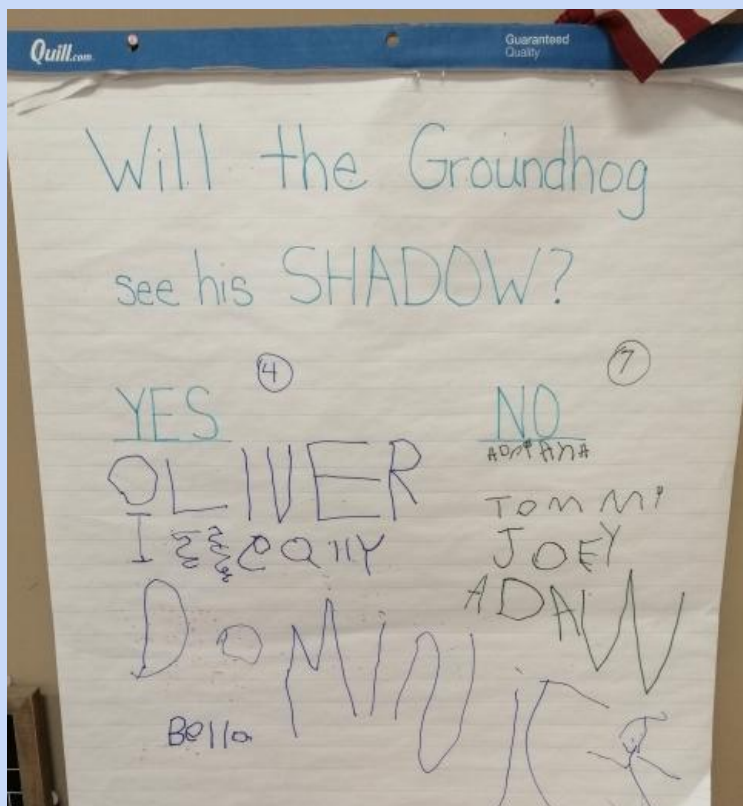


Pre-K 4 Classroom



Circle Time Activities





At **Circle Time** the children answer the question of the day, take turns filling in the calendar, count the days in school and report the weather.

WOW Words



appropriate

Introduce the Word

Hold the Vocabulary Card so everyone can see it. Say:

What are these children doing? Why do you think they are raising their hands?

It is **appropriate** to raise your hand if you want the teacher to call on you.

Explain the Word

Point to the picture and tell children:

These children are showing appropriate behavior in a classroom. When they raise their hands, they show their teacher that they would like a turn to talk. When something is appropriate, it is the right thing to do at that time.

Be the Word

Ask questions to help children understand that different behaviors are appropriate at different times and in different places. Ask, for example, Is it appropriate to run in the hallway? Is it appropriate to run on the playground? Then have children act out a variety of appropriate classroom behaviors, such as raising a hand, waiting their turn, and getting in line.

Vocabulary Card
32

observe

Introduce the Word

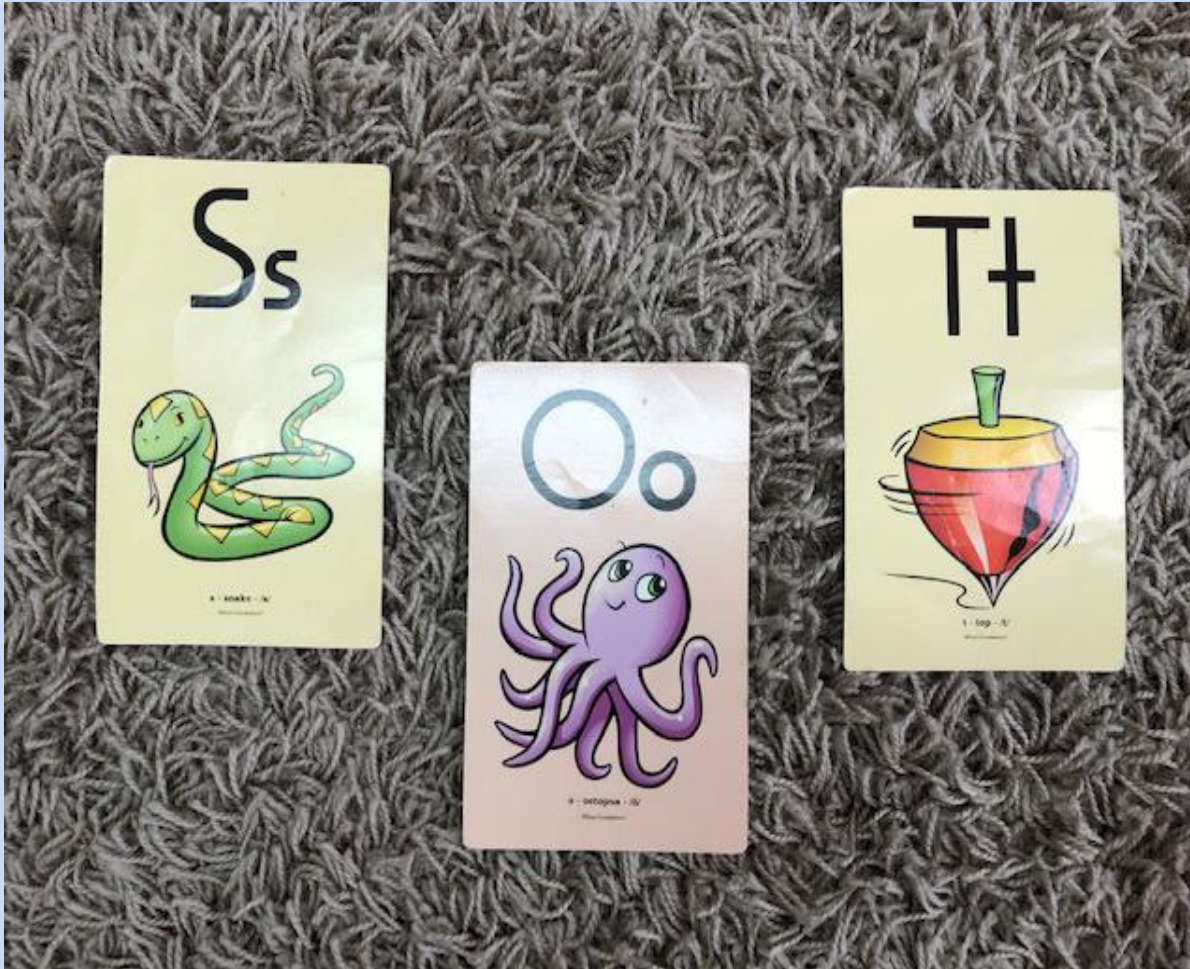
Explain the Word

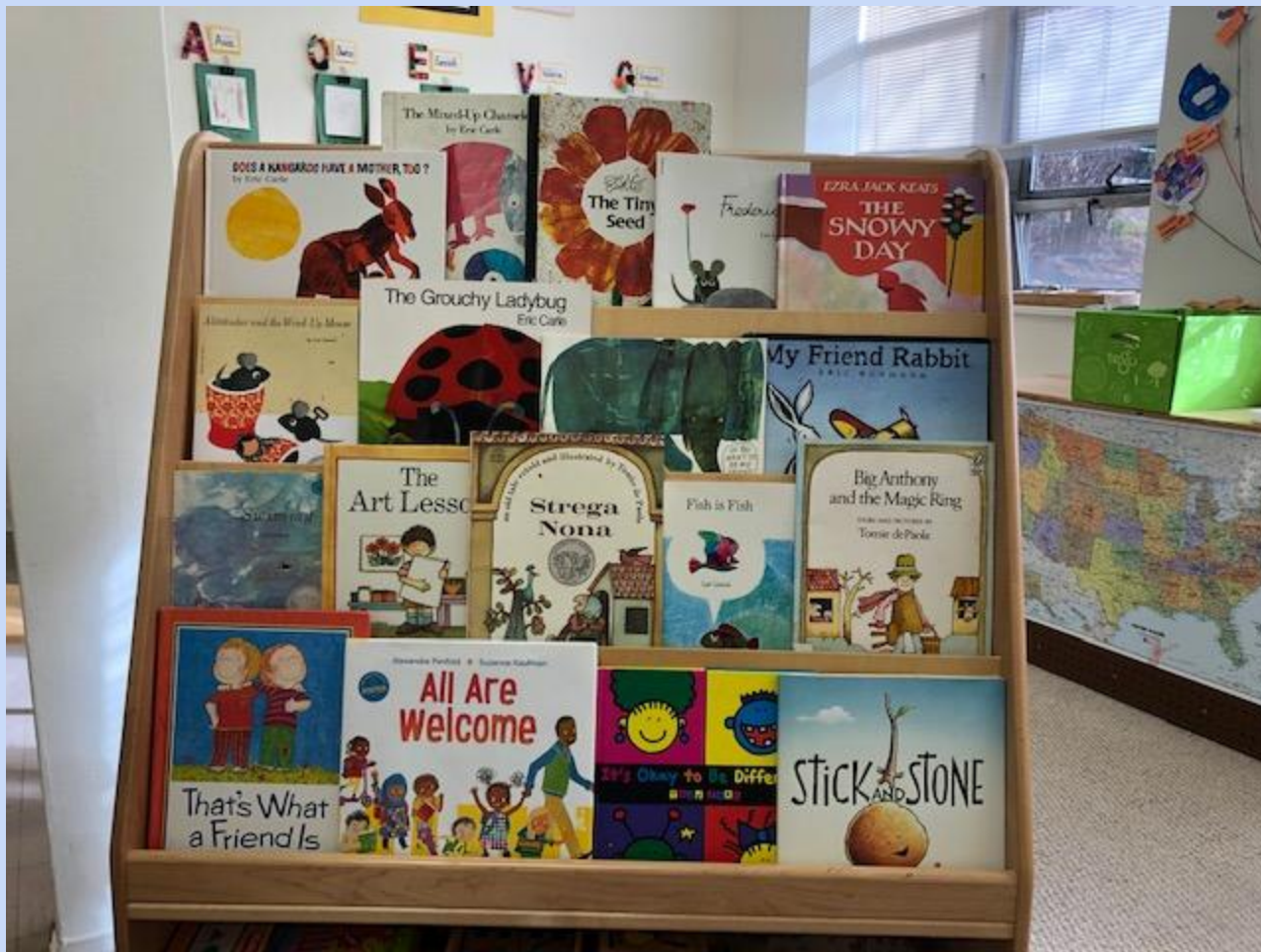
Be the Word

WOW Words introduce new and interesting vocabulary. We discuss the meanings of words and how we can use them in our daily lives.

Fundations

Fundations is a multisensory and systematic phonics program. It teaches students the letter names, sounds and symbols to lay the groundwork for lifelong literacy.



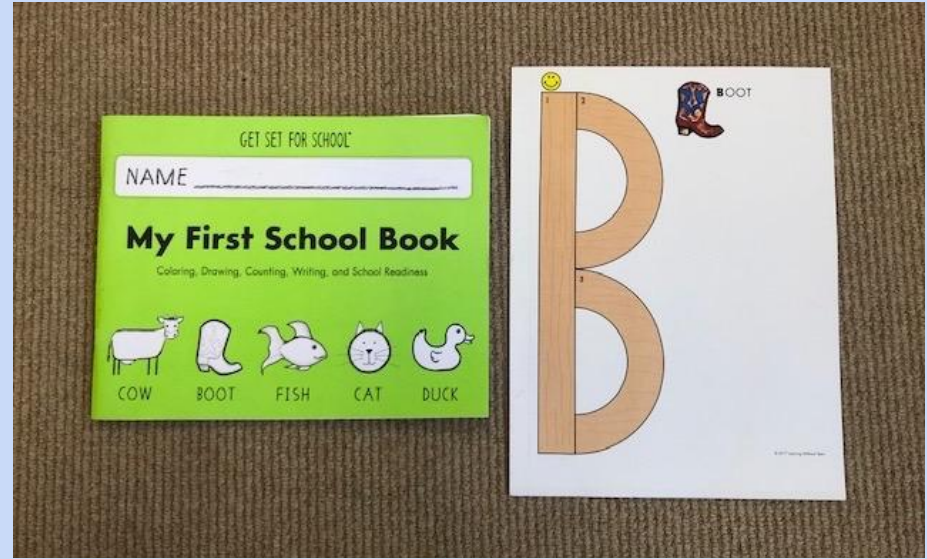


We are proud to be a literature based school. We use great books as a main tool to build literacy and introduce our curriculum topics. We love to read and listen to stories.

Centers and Activities



Handwriting Without Tears



Handwriting Without Tears is a multisensory readiness program to help students develop and practice crucial pre-writing skills. This child friendly approach makes it possible for children to successfully write letters and numbers.

Upper/Lowercase Letter Exploration



Science



Math Concepts



Number Exploration

Sensory Play



Art



Eric Carle tissue paper painting



Reggio Emilia Inspired Learning Activities



The Reggio Emilia approach to early childhood education focuses on introducing children to a wide variety of educational opportunities that encourage self expression, communication, logical thinking and problem solving.

Imaginative Play



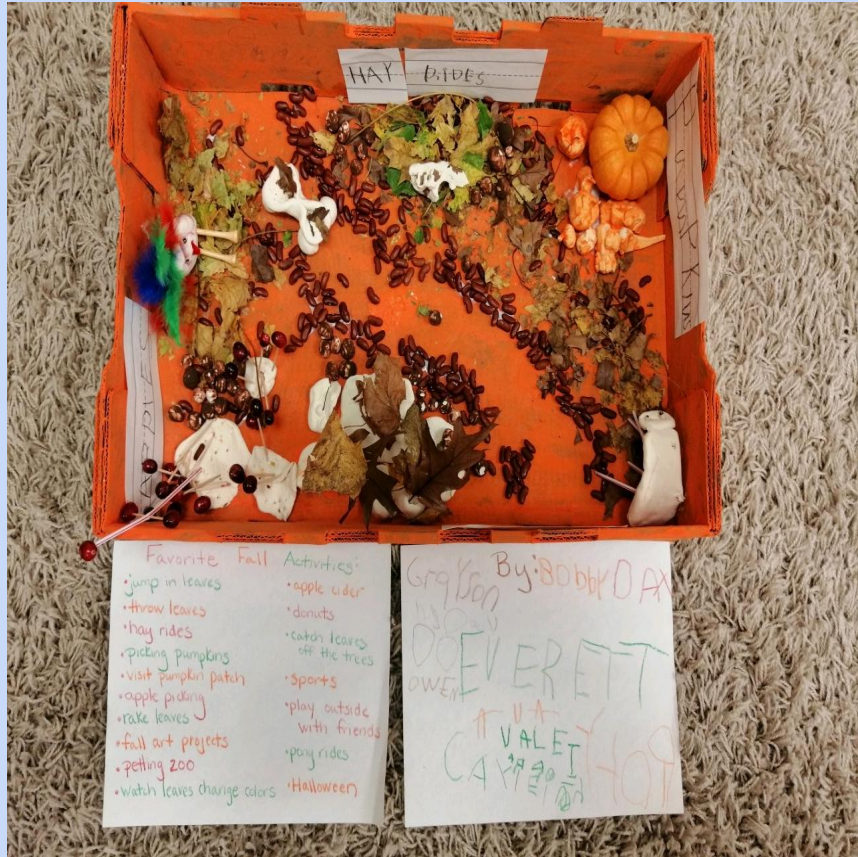
Building



Curriculum Themes



Fall Exploration





Children create Leaf People based upon the book Leaf Man by Lois Ehlert.



Acorn Races

Winter Wonderland

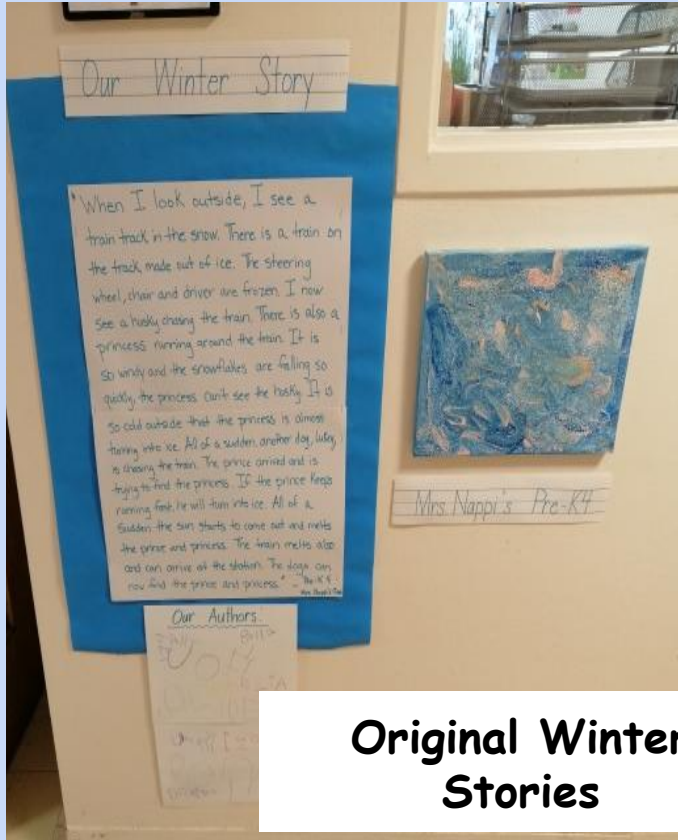


Santa Seekers make their own binoculars.



W is for winter

Winter Wonderland



Tomie dePaola

Author Studies

Mo Willems

Eric Carle



Our
STORY WALL
is a place for us to
display our own
original stories and
illustrations.

Lois Ehlert



Spring Awakening



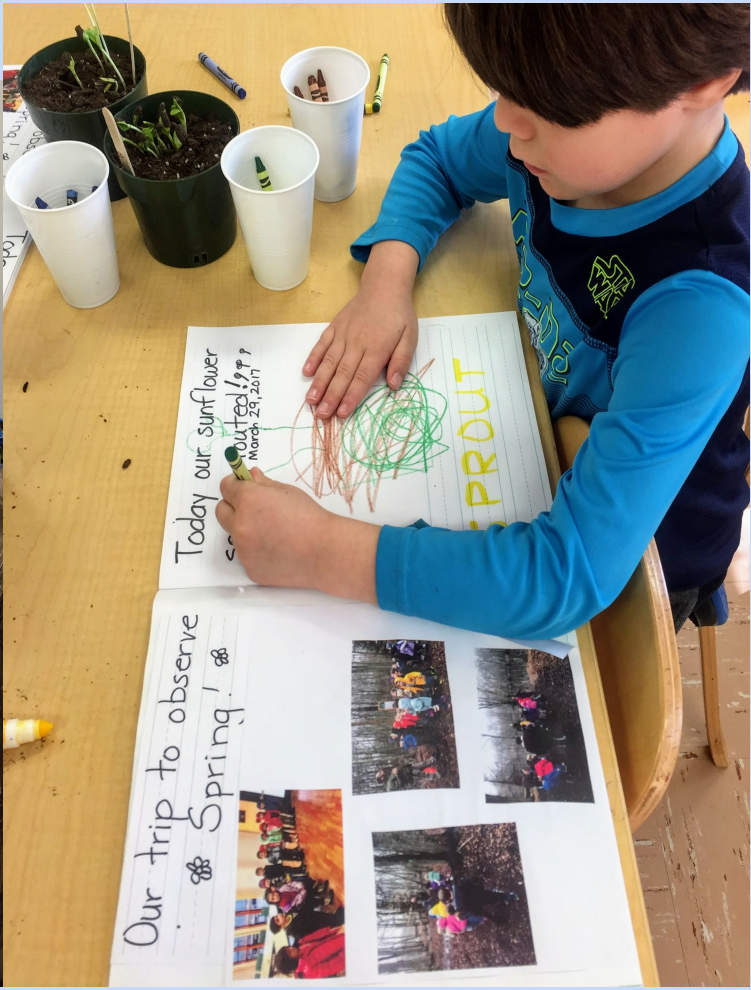
We watch baby chicks hatch from their eggs and we take wonderful care of them in our classroom.

We plant bulbs and plants at Grover Cleveland Park. We are so excited to see them grow.



Spring Awakening





Kindergarten Readiness



One of the goals of our Pre-K programs is to prepare children for success in kindergarten.

Playground



We have created 4 outdoor learning spaces: an outdoor meeting circle, a block area, a table time space and our sand box/playground area.



Gross motor play is so important to physical development and to enhance social and emotional skills. We play outside or in our gym every day.



Gym Time Fun!



STEAM Enrichment

Students in STEAM Enrichment eat lunch at school and enjoy an afternoon filled with STEAM activities and gross motor play. The program consists of two units: Artists and their Works and Science A-Z. During the first half of the year, the children learn about different art materials and explore a variety of ways to use them. They learn about famous artists including Vincent Van Gogh, Jackson Pollock and Pablo Picasso. At the end of the unit there is an Art Show to display the masterpieces created by our amazing artists. During the second half of the year, we focus on Science, Technology, Engineering and Math. The class engages in project based learning, becoming mathematicians and scientists! Children play math games and problem solve using manipulatives. They explore the solar system, conduct science experiments, and use writing skills to journal about their discoveries.

Lunch



Art History And Exploration



**We are not afraid to get messy and
paint like Jackson Pollock!**



ABCs of Science



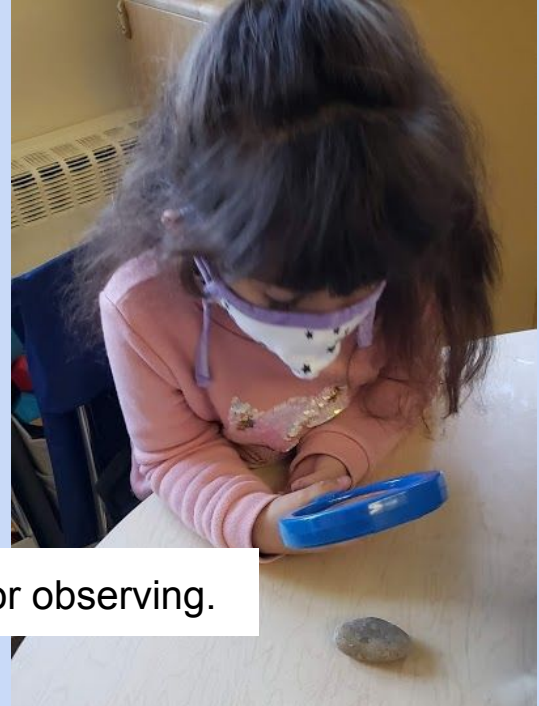
B is for blowing up balloons.



C is for clouds in a jar.



L is for lava lamp.



O is for observing.

Socialization....

experiments.....



and **FUN !!!**

Our Pre-K students have so much fun playing, learning and making new friends at FPNS.



We hope you will come join the fun.

