

Puppy Dog News Notes

Dr. Montessori recognized that the study of our world tells portions of the same story. Montessori called it the Cosmic Education. In a unique way, the study of our world through artifacts, music, and food offers children context for connections between people and places near and far. It is interesting to find differences between ourselves and others, but it is even more thrilling to find our similarities.

We are beginning our unit on the seven continents starting with Antarctica. We will study the life cycle of an emperor penguin and discover the tricks these birds use to keep their eggs and chicks warm. We will also talk about what to bring on an expedition to Antarctica and what it would be like to travel to, and live at one of the many international science stations.

We took advantage of the cold weather to change the state of water from a liquid to a solid. We drew a mark on a container and then used their expert fine motor skills to pour the water exactly to the mark. We placed the containers outside and then made predictions on what would happen to the water. Will the water expand when it freezes, stay the same, or shrink? Ask your child about the results!