

January/February 2022



Hello Dolphin Families,

The Dolphin class has welcomed a new teacher, Sara, to our afternoons. She has already begun to get to know your children and is looking forward to more fun-filled afternoons.

The Dolphin children have been enjoying chilly afternoons on the playground. Using blocks and their imagination, so many different boats and cars have been constructed. Together, they collaborate with their building plans, go on adventures, and make space for their friends to join. They have also been leading marching bands across the playground. Using pots, pails, and shovels, they clang their instruments and hit the poles for a very satisfying gong sound that echoes off of the building.

They have also been noticing the beautiful sunsets from the playground and anticipate the possibility of bright color combinations!

On the days when it has been too cold to go outside, the Dolphins continue to enjoy exploring the Armadillo classroom. Some activities have included beading, painting, coloring, and reading books. Two recent favorite books are Please, Mr. Panda and You Will Be My Friend!. They have also had fun building with cardboard blocks; castles with many rooms and windows have been designed. The Dolphins have had the opportunity to explore the “sit and spin”, taking turns to rotate themselves around in a circle.

During inclement weather afternoons, the 4:00 Dolphins have a dance party in the downstairs hallway. They are having fun making music requests while waiting for their pickup person. For movement songs, some preferred artists include Laurie Berkner and Jack Hartmann. The Dolphins who stay for a snack, really like to be read to or listen to a book on tape while eating.

We are looking forward to more sunny afternoons!

Sincerely,

Shayna and Sara