### SEPTEMBER, 2016

# Panda Bear News

# Washington University Nursery School

# We learn through play.

Our philosophy is that children learn most effectively through play. We support and encourage each child's unique social, emotional and intellectual development in a nurturing, hands-on and safe classroom environment.





# Classroom Happenings

The school year is off to a great start! In the past couple weeks, the Pandas have learned more about themselves during our "Me" and the Five Senses theme. They have learned how each of them is unique and similar as well. They engaged in activities including painting with people sponges and making their faces with a paper plate, googly eyes, a nose, and gluing hair made out of felt and yarn.

The Pandas worked on name recognition as they painted on their names made with bubble letters.

#### Important Upcoming Dates

#### Family Play Date

#### September 28

Come and meet other WUNS families on the playground. 3:15-5:00.

#### School Photos October 6

Individual and class photos will be taken outside. Proofs can be view the following week.

#### Open House October 15

Come and visit your child's classroom on Saturday, 11:30-1:30.

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### **Books and Songs**

# **Books**:

I Like Myself (Beaumont) The Foot Book (Dr. Suess) Brown Bear, Brown Bear And Polar Bear, Polar Bear (Carle)

## Songs:

"Open, Shut Them" "Little Green Frog" "The Popcorn Song" "One Elephant Went Out One Day"

This coming week, we will be talking about Stuffed Animals. If your child has a special lovey or stuffed animal, please send it to school each day this week. Thank you!

# Developmental Skills Children Practiced

With our theme of the Five Senses, the children used magnifying glass as they looked at different items in the Science Area. These included shells, pinecones, and rocks. The children made handprints with finger paint and glued on different textures to feel the difference between a feathers, cotton balls and sandpaper.

The Pandas made the first letter of their name with glue and gelatin. They also smelled different scents including vanilla, lemon, and cinnamon.

For snack one day, the children had apple slices mixed with cinnamon sugar. We ended the week with mini ice cream cones as a treat. It was a big hit!

