

August Reflection 2020



Over the course of the month, Government restrictions were put in place limiting our numbers throughout the service. This gave the Possum and Joey rooms the opportunity to merge together and develop new friendships and routines for all the children.

This has provided each group of children with very different experiences. The Possum children adapted well to the new noise in the room (especially at sleep time) and we have heard some very funny conversations at the lunch table - "Look, that baby threw his bowl on the floor", was a common phrase.

The Joey's have been eagerly exploring the Possum room and have been enjoying the change of atmosphere for their mealtime and adjusted very well to sleeping in a new space. Having the rooms combined has also changed our programming in order to provide each age group with age appropriate challenges. Science week was a buzz with pouring and measuring experiences, both inside and out. The Joey's have been taking advantage of the free access to the art trolley and table, colouring and making lines on paper. The Possum children have become very good at colour recognition and developing hand-eye coordination and building the muscles in their hands by using spray bottles filled with water paints. This same movement is occurring with the ball table as the children are learning how to pick items up using tongs.

The children have been exploring the new puzzles in the room which have a lot of sorting and stacking opportunities. Educators are focusing on the colours and shapes of these pieces and the children are now showing more interest in counting the pieces without educator prompting.

Finally, with so many of the children spending this time at home with their parents, educators have been collaborating the learning that is taking place in our room and developing activities that each of the children can do from home. We hope you are enjoying our "Keeping Busy" emails!

