

# TP4L Newsletter

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## From the Director Mr. Ollie

Dads matter! Children of involved fathers are less likely to drop out of school, engage in risky sexual behaviors, and break the law, and more likely to have high IQ scores, pursue healthy relationships, and hold down high-paying jobs. But these are just the general benefits of having a father who is available and engaged. Beyond that, several studies have investigated how a dad's specific decisions or parenting styles can influence his children, for better or for worse.



Here's how....

- Dad Shapes the Way Kids Speak and Hear
- Dad Shapes the Way Kids Understand Their Social Identities
- Dad Shapes Media Consumption Habits
- Dad Shapes Attitudes Towards Others
- Dad Shapes (and Reshapes) Friendships

It's a brutal list—we know. But it drives home an important point: dads matter, and your best and worst behaviors are both capable of influencing your children in the long run. Being a good dad means making healthy decisions even before conceiving so that your kid has the best shot, genetically speaking.

For the full article please visit: <https://www.fatherly.com/health-science/father-effect-influence-kids-affect-kids>

*"Imagination does not become great until human beings, given the courage and the strength, use it to create." — Maria Montessori*

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- **Practical Life:** Rolling/Unrolling a carpet; Carrying a tray
- **Sensorial:** Parts of a flower
- **Language:** American sign language and the letter M
- **Math:** Counting 1-7
- **Care of self:** Belly breathing and personal space

### Picture of the Week



# Ladybugs

Ms. Ivonne – Head Teacher

This week, the classroom focused on parts of a flower, the letter M, number 7 and blue.

This week the weather permitted us to conduct much of our learning outdoors. The children learned about what a steam is and how it helps flowers get water and sun. They used their magnifying glasses to look at parts of a flower, colored flowers and we extended our talks about the lima bean seed that has grown into a leafy stem.



Children are learning how to introduce themselves each morning, saying, “Good morning, “My name is X.” Your child is also learning how to share their respective ages and dates of birth. During our morning and afternoon meetings, we count in English and Spanish, and learn how to say our focus letter and color in Spanish and sign language as well as English. The children continue practicing their belly breathing.



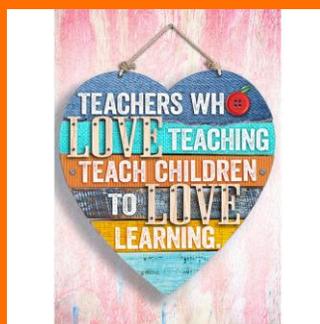
Your children spent some time learning about rules of conduct: please do not touch each other’s bodies, pinch each other’s cheeks or pile on top of each other in their favorite nook, the reading house. It is rewarding to see how quickly they are learning how to share and help each other. Some children have brought in apples and bananas that they cut up and then offer to their friends.



It is not easy being a child, but research shows that unless adults create limits and consistently impose those limits, children could grow into school-age youngsters and soon after, teenagers who will not be able to relearn habits formed at the ages of 3 and 4 years.



We are here to help them and to help you too! Please share with Ms. Ivonne whether you are seeing a difference at home.



# Dragonfly

Ms. Geraldine



This week in the dragonfly classroom, we discussed parts of a flower for our language lesson. We talked about each part of the plant. There are petals on the top. Seeds in the center, A stem, leaves in the middle, and the roots are below the soil.

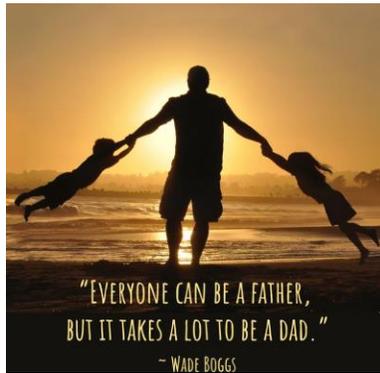


We introduced the Letter M to the children and used mirrors to see our reflections. Blue was the sensorial color we covered our table with and stacked all the blue blocks on top. Even our younger children tried to make a tower. We used sign language for the color. For math, 7 was our number. We counted all seven blocks and the petals on the flower. We enjoyed story time and had fun dancing and singing. Have a great weekend.



Have a great week!





## ***Daddy***

***My Daddy is my favorite guy,***

***I'm sure I'm the twinkle in his eye.***

***I love the way he reads to me***

***While I'm sitting on his knee.***

***When Daddy's home our day is complete,***

***Sometimes I dance upon his feet.***

***He'll teach me things I do not know,***

***Through his eyes he'll watch me grow.***

***Today I have one thing to say.***

***I love you, Daddy. Happy Father's Day.***

***~Geraldine Pastore*** 

