The Extended Morning Program has a weekly Focus Book that expands on the Pre-School theme of the month. The teachers support the stories through related activities that include experiences in each of the Developmental Domains. The story is further enhanced by experiences in our make shop, with wood working, and cooking activities in the kitchen. We also enjoy daily music with Mrs. Bird. A brief description of the focus book is included in each Monday’s email, and a list of available activities each day. The newsletter for each theme recaps the related activities through text and photographs, with captions highlighting the developmental emphasis.

December Pre-School Theme: Building

A picture is worth a thousand words. These photos tell the story of our Building theme at the Children’s School and express just how much we learn from our explorations!

Focus Books

Extended Morning Teachers: Mrs. Bird, Mrs. Loomis, Mrs. Myers, and Mrs. Opferman
Henry shares a building experience with his family during our Open House.

Oliver, Jaycee and Ellen work together with Mrs. Bird to winterize our playground.

Josh stands proudly with his blueprint and building.

Adrian climbs to the top of the playground tunnel.

Maya works on her balance while kneeling and standing up on the balance beam.

Friends use their whole bodies to stand like a column.

Adler draws a picture of a Steam Shovel.

Friends talk about how to build a steam shovel with Imagination Playground blocks.

Raj works with magnetic letters.
Science

Siobhan squeezes modeling clay to change its shape.

Math

Anne explores geometric shapes in a template while working in the Architect’s Studio.

Lily and Sydnee work on a ‘blue print’ with a compass.

Social Studies

Jaycee and Oliver experience the movement of a see-saw.

John measures ingredients for granola bars in the kitchen.

Friends problem solve how to attach a boom to the Extended Day Steam Shovel.

Evren and Wilder work, digging play dough at the ‘construction site.’

Friends play in the building zone, working together to clear a foundation.

Friends work together in the ‘Architect Studio.’
Max works with a ruler/stencil.

Connor works on his toothpick model.

Elijah and Conor eat their healthy lunch together.

Benny learns how to spray no-stick oil in preparation for making granola bars.

Families and friends sing along at the Extended Day Open House.

Harris creates with play dough and tools.

Evren creates goggles from model magic.

Harris and Adrian sit safely on the benches at dismissal.

Adler demonstrates how to safely walk across the balance beam.