Throughout the month of October, the Building Unit has provided the friends with many opportunities to learn about the process and concept of building. We learned about starting on a strong foundation, balancing blocks to build tall towers, the tools that can help us build, and how to use different materials to create structures. The children also investigated a few animals that are good builders.

The Three’s Bulletin Board!

Throughout the year, we’ll change the bulletin board between our rooms to reflect our current learning. Here’s our Building scene!

Just Build It!

We spent a lot of time engaged in free building with a variety of blocks. The friends learned through trial and error, scaffolded instruction from the teachers, and by observing others.
Building More Than Towers

We continue to work on our interaction and cooperation skills by using our words, waiting patiently, and using our manners.

Books!

We use books to inspire a lot of what we do in the classroom. This group loves to hear a good story with a teacher, with a few friends, or on their own.

Inspired by “The Three Little Pigs”, Linus creates a Lego brick house.

Luna painting at the tabletop easel.

The friends enjoy looking at books that we’ve read together at circle time.

Jerry using the pliers to fix the toy tractor.

Joaquin, Aliza and Enna learning about how a building is made.

Construction Worker Elena adding another block to her structure.

Adam gluing pieces of wood to his sculpture.

Atlas arranging his shapes to make a paper house for the bulletin board.

The children are learning how to play together: taking turns and sharing materials.
Exploration

Opportunities for seeing and learning shapes, numbers, and colors are ever-present. Materials for exercising our curiosity are also regularly available.

Lillianna using her fine motor skills to put pegs into the number boards.

Joaquin discovering the many ways to assemble the pieces of this building set.

Drake adding some color to the wood sculpture he made the week before.

Jerry seeing how you can use shapes to build a house.

A table full of ideas, discoveries, creations, and friends describing their work!

Creativity

Teachers provide many opportunities for creativity where children are exposed to developmentally appropriate activities.

Linus worked hard on his block tower and it's bigger than he is!

Molly scooping and pouring in the water table.

Friends working together to make a track for the race cars.

Luna playing with animals and thinking about the different places they live... like caves!

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Looking Ahead...

In November, our theme will be Art and Artists!

- Jerry using shapes to create designs on the pegboard.
- Drake and Adam testing ramps and observing the speed of the cars at different heights.
- Enna spreading glue in preparation for the next piece of wood on her sculpture.
- Aliza building a pyramid with Wedgit blocks.
- Linus demonstrating his spatial reasoning. I know who I’m calling next time I need to pack my car!
- Lillianna and Joaquin hammering golf tees into the foam boards.
- Atlas using a hammer he built to help fit the pieces together.
- Elena honing her fine motor abilities as she laces beads onto a string.
- Jerry using shapes to create designs on the pegboard.
- Luna and Molly painting their unique wood sculptures.

Discovery

We love to try new things and use interesting tools with our little fingers.

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