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.

**Focus Books**

November Pre-School Theme: Farm

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

Extended Morning Teachers: Mrs. Bird, Miss Dzina, Mrs. Loomis, and Mrs. Opferman
Marina and Betty Lou work together to build a snowman on the playground.

Betty Lou, Ada, Wally, and Will collaborate to drop a beat with their rhythm sticks.

Nicolas practices independently putting on a pair of gloves.

Chloe uses her “airplane arms” to cross the bridge in an obstacle course.

Ada and Will use their muscles to shovel and move the wood chips.

Archie practices his layup on the playground.

Brandon and Masaki read a book together in the library.

Mio uses the yarn she dyed to spell her name.

Peter concentrates on a book in the library.
Simon experiments with balls and ramps in the sandbox.

David investigates magnets and mirrors in the Science Center.

Rowan discovers what happens when white yarn is dipped into dye.

Simon and Poppy May practice counting in the Count Your Chickens game.

Nalu counts cotton balls for his sheep ear headband.

Simon, Nicolas, and Archie operate the cash registers at the Dramatic Play Farmer’s Market, ringing up customers and charging them for their purchases.

Nalu and Felix help turn the soil to get it ready for new plantings.

Kipton matches seasonal activity cards with their corresponding season.

Noah puts a puzzle together, matching parent and child animals and their corresponding habitat.
Nevin uses a plastic needle to sew string through a burlap bag, which was then stuffed with wool.

Peter uses a shovel to dig up the old plantings.

Felix and Rowan use the Rosie’s Walk stick puppets they made to put on a show for Atticus.

Marina and Atticus watch as Mr. Salinetro demonstrates how to whittle with his knife.

The friends sing with Mrs. Bird and their parents before lunch at the Extended AM Open House.

Jacob traces a cow stencil in the Art & Writing Center.

Jamie Ann and Felix measure and mix the ingredients for corn fritters.

Will practices washing his hands.

Felix, Archie, and Peter enjoy a healthy lunch with their families at the Extended AM Open House.