

*Le Jardin Community Center*

**July-August Newsletter**



**WELCOME**

**Back to School**



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# In the Classroom



## Story Time Literacy Activity

The teacher reads a large storybook "The Farm Concert" encouraging children to name the animals and make the animal sounds



Children practicing their fine motor skills by placing keys in the key ring holder. This activity is fun and interactive!

Teachers and Children engage in Gross Motor physical activity and eye and hand coordination throwing balls in the air and catching them and jumping up and down!



## Literacy Activity

The teacher reads the large storybook "Jump in the Jungle". Children were encouraged to draw/scribble their favorite animal from story.





# Parent Appreciation

Family Services and Education presented parents with certificates to show their appreciation for their constant dedication and participation in school events and activities. We would like to thank Ms. Wendy Matute, Ms. Erika Guerra, and Ms. Folanda Watson for playing a key role in their children's education!

Experts define parent engagement as parents and teachers sharing a responsibility to help their children learn and meet educational goals. Parent engagement happens when teachers involve family members in school meetings or events, and parents volunteer their support at home and at school.

With the start of the new school year, we are challenging all of Le Jardin's parents to commit and become involved with their child's education. We challenge **YOU** to make a commitment by prioritizing your child's educational goals and for Le Jardin to collaborate with parents.

**#parentchallengeaccepted**



Wendy Matute

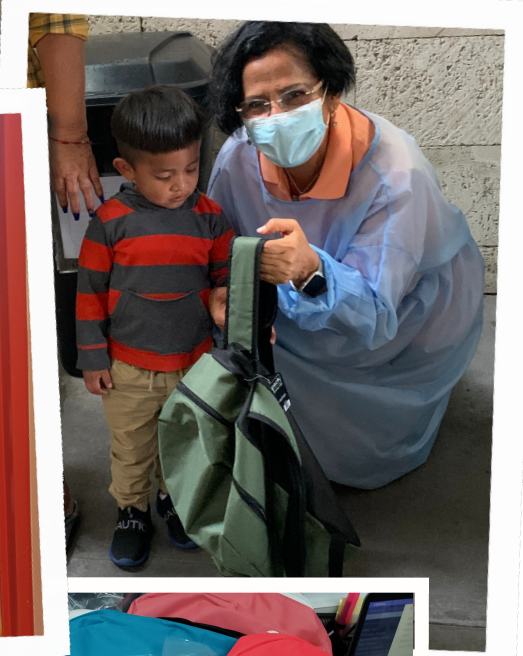
Erika Guerra

Folanda Watson



# Community Partners

Each year, La Rosa Realty and The La Rosa Foundation host a backpack drive to donate to families needing support. This year, 60 fortunate Head Start transitioning children received backpacks full of supplies thanks to this initiative!



PLANTING SEEDS FOR THE FUTURE



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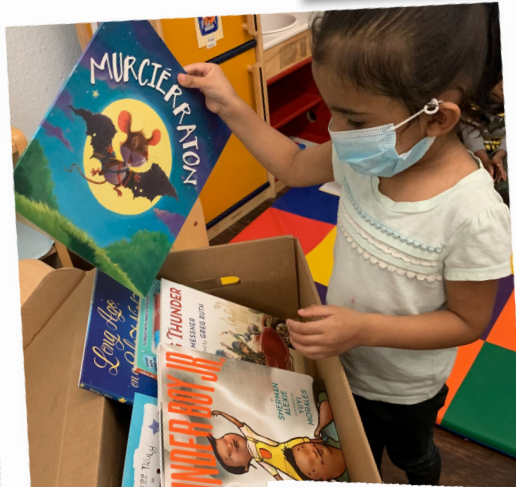
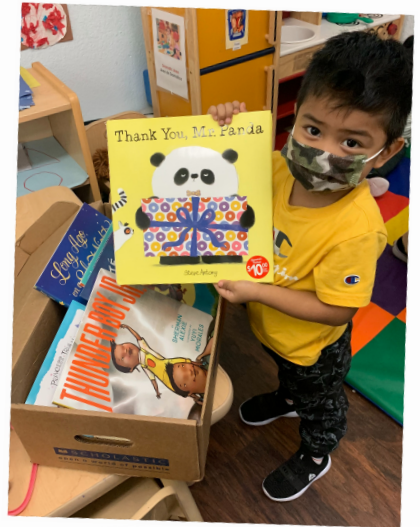
In July, The Education Fund graciously donated over 300 books for Le Jardin's Early Head Start program! Staff visited the warehouse to pick out the books and express our gratitude!

Our Early Head Start and Head Start Programs encourage literacy development using bilingual books in the classroom supporting reading, communication, vocabulary, rhyme, and other early literacy objectives. Our children develop and learn through age-appropriate activities.

DID YOU KNOW?!



1. Bilingual books encourage parents to read in their home language.
2. Bilingual books build vocabulary in both languages.
3. Bilingual books help children feel included
4. Bilingual books highlight other cultures
5. Bilingual books are fun.



THANK  
YOU