



September-October Newsletter

Celebrando Hispanic Heritage



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In the Classroom

Celebrando el Mes de la Hispanidad!

During Hispanic Heritage Month, students learn about different cultures and traditions. Classroom activities are designed to promote inclusivity and highlight the Hispanic culture and traditions.

Teachers and students dressed up to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month. They made posters, ate traditional food, and showed off their trajes tradicionales (traditional costumes).



Community Partners

Partners that make a difference!

Le Jardin Community Center, Inc. would like to express its gratitude towards Futbol Con Corazon (FCC USA), FT Arena, Miami Heat, Maluma, and Maluma's beautiful foundation "El Arte De Los Sueños" for choosing Mariana Tamayo's art piece, "Nunca Pierdas la Esperanza", as the winner for Hispanic Heritage Month! Mariana was given the chance to meet Maluma and present her piece of art. She was excited and proudly held her piece to showcase it!

A million thanks to the incredible Ralph Leon, Sr. Director of Corporate Responsibility from the Miami Heat for the hospitality and for creating a beautiful and unforgettable moment for Mariana. As well as for dinner at the Heat Lounge and the thoughtful gifts.

Thank you Danielle Dubuc from FCC USA for allowing Le Jardin Community Center, Inc. to submit different art pieces from our incredibly talented students and their families! We are grateful for the opportunity to highlight the hidden talents in our community!



PLANTING SEEDS FOR THE FUTURE

Soccer Boo-Fest



On Saturday, October 30, Le Jardin's partnership with FCC USA officially kicked off!

Le Jardin's Head Start kids and families came out to enjoy a soccer tournament, eat, dance, and have fun.

Le Jardin and FCC USA aim to provide social-emotional education and foster a culture of peace and non-violence.



Special Thanks To Our Sponsors!



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Le Jardin is proud to have been invited to honor the Trabajadoras Agricolas in Homestead in company of the Mexican Consulate. We appreciate the presence and are proud supporters of the initiatives forthcoming to strengthen ties in our community!



TRABAJADORAS AGRÍCOLAS

Le Jardin is proud to be able to participate in the First Edition of the Programa Consular de Emprendimiento para Mujeres de Origen Mexicano en Miami (Consular Entrepreneurship Program for Women of Mexican Origin in Miami).

Programa Consular de Emprendimiento para Mujeres en el Exterior en el sur de Florida (Consular Entrepreneurship Program for Women of Mexican Origin in Miami) is designed to create new stories for Mexican migrant women.

Thanks to the Consulate for allowing our #EMPRENDEDORAS to be part of this talented group of women!

Our entrepreneurs Ana Perez, Yuridia Maldonado, Olga Bautista, and Nayled Juarez will virtually complete 12 chapters of the program and will be able to present their business plan and compete for a prize!

Mujer Emprende



Ana Perez, Yuridia Maldonado, and Consul Jonathan Chait



Conversatorio del Programa Consular de Emprendimiento para Mexicanas en el Exterior

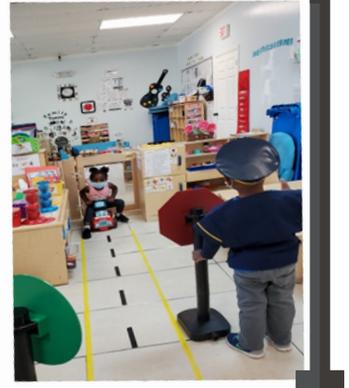
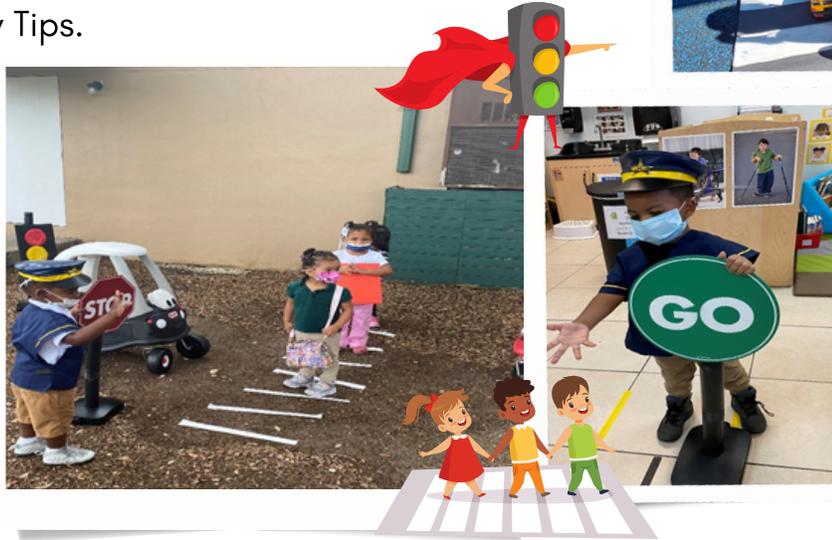
Guatemalan Consulate

Le Jardin would like to express its gratitude to the General Guatemalan Consul in Miami, Rosa Merida de Mora, for her enthusiasm and disposition to connect and help expand the presence of the consulate in our City! She visited some of our Centers and graciously accepted our visit to the Consulate where we discussed pressing issues in Homestead affecting the Guatemalan community.

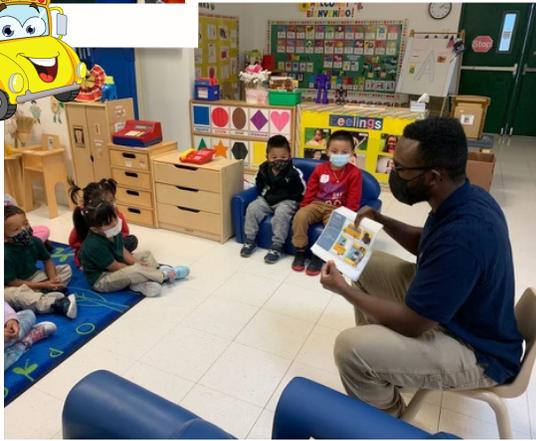


In The Classroom

Red means STOP, Green means GO! Pedestrian Safety activities are conducted every year with children and parents. We stress the importance of obeying traffic laws, all road signs and signals, as well as provide Walking Safety Tips.



Bus Safety Activity for our Head Start Cuties conducted by Mr. Maurice McIntyre. It is important for all to follow rules and never put themselves in danger while waiting for the school bus!



Best Practices in Inclusive Early Childhood Education for Practitioners

Congratulations to our Teachers and Center Directors on completing the Best Practices in Inclusive Early Childhood Education for Practitioners program!

Best Practices in Inclusive Early Childhood Education for Practitioners (BPIECE) was introduced to Le Jardin Community Center, Inc. through the Miami Dade/Monroe County Early Learning Coalition's Maria Schrack.

The framework helps programs build a strong foundation for inclusion practices individualizing our children's needs and enhancing the environment. Through the BPIECE self-assessment tool, Le Jardin teachers and managers reveal strengths and areas of growth needed to create inclusion best practices. The tool focuses on environment, family, collaboration, interactions, instruction, screening/assessment and transitions.

Training opportunities were made available to the teaching staff and managers along with coaching and technical assistance. The ultimate goal is to create program goals that ensure child safety and the delivery of effective high quality services.





Dr. Mary's Mental Health Corner

Be Grateful

Here is a short story to help you think!

Sandra calls Tiffany a friend she hasn't seen or heard from in a while just to check up on her. Sandra dials the number and Tiffany picks up after two rings. Hey, Tiffany what's going on haven't heard from you in a while. I'm in the hospital, said Tiffany. What happened asked Sharon with concern in her voice. Well, I have THE COVID. I found this out when my oxygen levels were low and I passed out at home and my daughter called the ambulance for me (cough, cough). They had to put me on oxygen and because of that, I developed pneumonia. They also told me that my heart is not working well and on top of this I developed diabetes and have to take insulin. Not to mention I am coughing a lot so my chest hurts.

I cannot sit up because my oxygen levels will drop again so I have to stay lying down in the hospital bed all day. (cough, cough) Then to make things worse the food is bad here and no outside food is allowed.

Wow said Sandra I didn't know you were going through all this. I am so sorry! What can I do for you? There is nothing you can do for me at this point said Tiffany but pray. I thank God that I'm still living and I hope to be out of here soon. I must go now I can't talk anymore I'm coughing too much (cough, cough).

The moral of the story is to be grateful in any circumstance that you are in.

What three things are you grateful for today?

Reach out to at least one person and one family member today and let them know how grateful you are that they are in your life.

