

Hello Vashon Island families!

This past week in Vashon Island we have continued our investigation of Spring. The children have showed a great interest in learning more about birds, including their behaviors and habitats. Self directed, the children decided that we should make our very own nests. Inevitably, this lead to an open discussion about nests including the use, materials used, and various types of nests. We even discovered an owl, the Burrowing Owl that is diurnal, in other words active in the daylight. Thursday afternoon we started a sewing project of creating cloth birds. This project will continue into next week.



As we have been entering Spring we have been discussing the elements needed for plants to grow. The children said that we needed seeds, dirt, water, light, and love to grow plants. We decided to test their hypothesis. We created a control, where we planted grass seed in soil and gave it water, sunlight, and of course love. We then planted grass seed on woodchips, gravel, sand, and water and gave them all water and sunlight. Next, we planted grass seed in soil, giving it water but no sunlight. Finally we planted grass seed in soil, giving it light but no water. We will be making observations over the next week. It will be fascinating to see what happens!



Hope you all have a great Spring Break.

Sincerely Your Teachers,

Whitney and Eric