## Montessori Academy

## MARCH NEWSLETTER ROOM 1

We plan to look for <u>SIGNS OF SPRING</u> during the month of March. Are there any flowers growing in your yard, baby ducks swimming in the river, or tiny new leaves budding on your trees?



A few ideas to share from "101 Things That Parents Can Do To Help" by B. Hacker:

- -Read about Montessori education and philosophy and how it applies to your child.
  - -Take the time to stand back and observe your child carefully and note the characteristics that she/he is displaying.
- -Build a wardrobe for your child aimed at freedom of movement and independence and allow enough time for your child to dress herself/himself.
  - -Make sure your child gets sufficient sleep and make both going to bed and getting up a calm and pleasant ritual.
  - -Teach grace and courtesy in the home. Model it. Use courtesy with your child and help your child to demonstrate it.
    - -Read together daily--with younger children stick to books with realistic themes.
- -Eliminate or strictly limit TV watching and replace with activity oriented things which involve the child.
  - -Take walks together at the child's pace, pausing to notice things and talk about what you see.

SPRING BREAK — MARCH 22nd-26th