



The Academy at Venice, a Bright Horizons Preschool

A Note from Your Director

Dear Families,

We are so happy to have had such a successful first month of being open! Thank you to all of our teachers and families who have been cooperating and following all of the latest enhanced protocols. It has made this transition to opening back up even that much smoother.

It is great to see laughing and smiling faces on the playground and in the classrooms again! The kids have really enjoyed spending time with each other and are super engaged in the day's activities. Our teachers are now implementing Bright Horizon's "World at Their Fingertips" curriculum. This curriculum creates developmentally appropriate learning environments in which each child learns what the world is like, how it works, and what he/she is capable of in it. The World at Their Fingertips is both an approach and a sensibility that infuses interactions and the planned environment.

We hope that you have enjoyed starting to use the My Bright Day app to get live updates on your child's day. The teachers will be able to send you notes and reminders through the app which should help make your life a little bit easier.

As a reminder, we are offering our lunch delivery through Citizen Sprout at \$8.00/day. A hot lunch will be delivered to your child just in time for lunch. If you are interested in taking advantage of the program, please check them out at citizensprout.com.

As always, please reach out to me if you have any questions!

Katie Seifert

Important Dates

CLOSED for Labor Day: Monday,
September 7

Spirit Day: Pajama Day! Friday,
September, 25

Reasons to Celebrate

10 Years of Service: Ms. Katie

6 Years of Service: Ms. Sylvia

5 Years of Service: Ms. Karen

4 Years of Service: Ms. Julie & Ms.
Rebecca

3 Years of Service: Ms. Kimberly

First day of Fall: Tuesday, September 22



Health & Safety at Bright Horizons

Our enhanced COVID-19 protocols ensure health and safety practices in every center align with the CDC and state and local municipalities. Learn more about what we are doing to keep children, families, and staff safe.

brighthorizons.com/child-health-safety



Yellow Room

Throughout this last month of August, the Yellow Room discussed the topics of health and getting to know each other, kindness and connecting with others. As the children came together, their most immediate goal was to help everyone adapt to a new routine, get to know each other, and provide a comforting space for the children to explore. The kiddos practiced washing hands with our friend Olly Pop. First, they practiced putting the hand-washing steps in the correct order. Then, they put the steps into practice! Additionally, they experimented to see the effects of washing their hands with a bread in a bag experiment. The Yellow Room touched slices of bread with washed versus unwashed hands and they got to see what changes took place over several days.



Orange Room

This past month in the Orange Room, the students got to know each other and learned about staying healthy, their sense of self, kindness and the HEART principles. The children got to know their classroom environment through making decisions on guidelines and jobs, and working collaboratively. The teachers encouraged the children to capture their own images in a self-portrait. As they drew, children were asked to talk about not just their physical characteristics, but the things that they liked about themselves as well. The kiddos partnered with a classmate to take photos of each other involved in enjoyable activities. By doing this, they learned about self-expression, collaboration and perspective. Additionally, the Orange Room worked together as a team to create a kindness poster.

How to Seek Out and Celebrate Diversity In and Out of Your Community

We talk about diversity, but many Americans still live in primarily homogeneous communities. Is it possible to foster inclusiveness in situations that are not as diverse?

Even if you don't live in a diverse area, there are still ways you can ensure that you and your family remain socially aware. Here are five ideas for seeking out and celebrating diversity in and out of your community.

[Learn More](#)



The Family Room Blog, a Bright Horizons Community

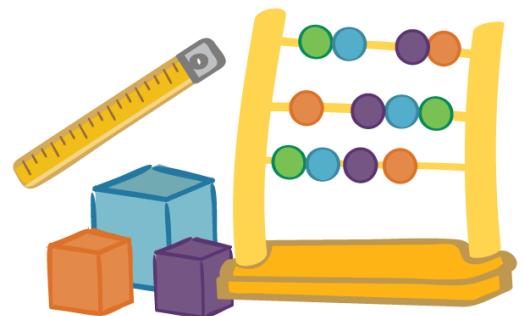
Real Families and real conversations from a group of colleagues and friends who love sharing parenting tips, advice and telling tales of our own challenges – the ordinary and not-so-ordinary moments in the journey of working parenthood.

[Visit the Blog](#)

Bring the *World at Their Fingertips* curriculum home!

Bright Horizons partnered with some of our favorite vendors to bring you a variety of materials and kits that help bring the *World at Their Fingertips*[®] curriculum to your home. These materials have been educator approved and align with many of our World at Home activities. Choose from art materials, to books bundles, to STEM kits, and more. All shipped directly to your home.

[Click here](#) to browse the kits.



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