

Rosemary Room May Reflection

The month of May has been such an exciting month for all the children in Rosemary. We added a new addition to our classroom: baby caterpillars! To further this explanation, we read "The Very Hungry Caterpillar", and the children have shown so much enthusiasm about our new little friends. The most interesting topic has been how the caterpillars form cocoons around themselves before they become butterflies. At this point our caterpillars are now butterflies and the children enjoyed observing their progress every day.

So far, the children have been able to experience the beginning stages of the caterpillar's lives. They have watched them grow into, "big fat caterpillars", just like in the book. The children were very excited to watch the caterpillars grow into butterflies and this offered such a great opportunity for them to observe a life cycle of the butterfly. This allowed the children to observe the real science of life, survival, and metamorphosis. This provoked further thought and questions about life science, and allowed the children to engage in critical thinking. While in the garden or outside in your own home, we encourage you to allow the children to explore and identify the concept of living and nonliving in plants, animals, and insects!

