

FULL CIRCLE PRESCHOOL

As we prepare to enter a new year, the children and educators at Full Circle continue to focus on intentionality and community. Despite the limitations with the pandemic, we've had great turnout in our recent family events, including our OZ Fall Beautification Day in which the children, educators, and families helped build a large cedar picnic/activity table on the playground, set up a slackline in the woods, and created new play spaces throughout our woods! We feel extremely thankful for the beautiful nature that surrounds us, and we continue to make it our mission to help the children feel connected and responsible for preserving and celebrating the land.

Hanukkah was a tender reminder of love and light as we celebrated themes of light and warmth in our classrooms. In discussing the menorah, we emphasized that *shamash* means helper and asked the children how they could be helpful like the shamash candle. We were so impressed by the Hanukkah Lighting turnout with Rabbi Amy as preschool families gathered around our tiki torch menorah and shared the joy of light, music, and togetherness. Raul made the menorah and invited the children to paint it, which was a lovely collaboration within our community as we worked to bring light to all. It was also heartwarming to join so many OZ families at the Hanukkah Party where multi generations joined in games, song, crafts, and overall joy. We look forward to continuing to gather as best we can in 2022.

Cheers to tucking away 2021 and entering a new year of growth, positive change, and community! Remember to be tender with yourselves and those around you.

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