



## ***BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION***

The celebration of birthdays is a wonderful way to honor a child's life and accomplishments. The celebration is done during circle. A candle is lit and the child walks around the sun while the life story is read. Each walk around the sun depicts one year of the child's life. This is followed by the child making a secret wish and blowing the candle out. (Due to the current pandemic, we use a flameless candle and pretend to blow it out).

Kindly prepare a collage of your child's pictures from each year of their life. You can get as creative as you like. Please let your child participate in selecting pictures and writing his/her life story. The child's story will be read during the celebration. You may prepare your child's story using the following format:

THE STORY OF \_\_\_\_\_. \_\_\_\_\_ was born on \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ (city and state). He/she had to be held and taken care of all the time, couldn't talk or tell mom or dad what was needed, had to wear diapers, drank lots of milk and slept most of the time. By \_\_\_\_ months \_\_\_\_ could sit up all by his/herself and .....

When \_\_\_\_ was 1 year old he/she learned to walk with help, play with toys,.....etc.....and could use 2 or 3 words to ask for what he/she needed.

When \_\_\_\_ was 2 years old \_\_\_\_ learned to use the potty!.....etc. His/her favorite things were .....

When \_\_\_\_ was 3 years old, he/she came to our Montessori School. He/she could talk in whole sentences, run, ride a tricycle, and loved doing \_\_\_\_ work. At home he/she helped by..... (Continue to child's present age).

And now \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_ years old! He/she can ....all by his/herself!  
His/her favorite color is \_\_\_\_\_, Favorite food is \_\_\_\_, favorite thing to do  
is....., etc.

At the end of the celebration the child may serve a special treat. Due to  
the current situation, you may send in individually wrapped snacks such  
as goldfish, pretzels, apple sauce, fruit cups, fruit snacks/rolls or similar.

Instead of goody bags, we suggest that parents donate something that  
for the classroom that all the children can use.

Thank you and we look forward to celebrating your child's birthday in  
our classroom!