

Dear Family, in class today, we explored our sense of sight using magnifying glasses.

Did you know?

- Magnifying glasses make things look bigger.
- Magnifying glasses have lenses that are bent outward.
- This makes things look bigger than they really are.
- More detail can be seen when something looks bigger.

Ask your child:

- Tell me what you used a magnifying glass for.
- Describe what you see when you look through a magnifying glass.
- Tell me something you could see with the magnifying glass that you could not see without it.
- Explain how a magnifying glass could be helpful.

Vocabulary:

- sight – being able to see.
- eyes – the two organs of the body used to see.
- senses – any of the five ways to experience things; sight, smell, hearing, taste, and touch.
- magnifying – appearing larger.
- object – anything that has shape or form. It can be seen or touched.
- convex – an edge that curves outward.

Activity:

Have your child take a magnifying glass along when you go outside. Encourage him or her to look at things in nature with the magnifying glass. Some fun things to examine with a magnifying glass are leaves, insects, rocks, feathers, or anything with an interesting texture. Have your child choose one thing they examined with the magnifying glass. Send it to school to share.