The day began as moms, auntsies and grandma’s came strolling into the classroom. The children were extremely excited to greet their loved ones with kisses and hugs, as if they saw them for the first time in weeks. One child told another mom to “move over to the other chair their mom had to sit by them”. Another child said to his grandma “I will hang your coat by mine in my cubbie. Don’t worry, if it falls on the floor cause it’s bigger than mine, the teachers get paid to pick ‘em up!”

Lunch was even fun...while parents and children shared each other’s company passing the spaghetti, dishing out the salad, buttering bread and pouring milk. Afterwards, the children serenaded the ladies with a welcome song that Ms. Mary wrote. Well, that was what they were supposed to do! The children knew it well and sang it with great enthusiasm all week. Needless to say, these over active jumping beans suddenly became reclusive, hiding behind each other, but Ms. Mary’s guitar did not miss a beat. The children escorted moms, grams, and auntsies to the tables to paint their ceramic pets, and shimmering sun catchers. After cleaning up, moms pretended to be the children in house area while the children gave the orders. It was wonderful to watch these grown adults fall to the prey of their children’s hands. What a perfectly, marvelous day we all had!

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