

Practicum Walk Journal

27th

I wasn't too sure if I would be able to take the children on a walk today. However, we did manage to go.

I was much more confident today. I led the walk and we had to have many mini-meetings, this time I kept in mind Ravinder's feedback from the last walk and made sure to stop over on the grass and off the walkway when having a mini-meeting.

We did our usual walk to the trades building and the children were mostly the same as the last two days. For the newer child, the others were telling them all about the walks we did for the last two days. They told them about how we saw so many big trucks, a bike and some cars, how we got on the elevator and how we went and had our picnic.

We went on our walk and the elevator was occupied with a big machine and the children really wanted to take a ride on it. Ravinder and I spoke and we decided to walk to campus and take a ride in one of the other buildings' elevators. When we reached campus, we realised that there was a gathering happening for Truth and Reconciliation day. We decided to come and join in when it was about to start.

We went on our exploration of the International building and the children were really interested in seeing the new building. We then ventured off to find a spot for our picnic. During which, we ran into aunty Dory! She came over and spoke to the children and I told the children who she was.

We went and attended a part of the beginning ceremony, as we had to leave quite soon after. The children saw the orange and black colours and thought it was wolfpack, but Ravinder and I spoke to them and told them what was happening.

The children seemed to struggle with the idea but some did not like the fact that things were taken without being asked.

October 9th to November 7th.

There was quite a lot that had happened in this short time span.

I got more confident leading walks and even now after practicum, we still take the children on walks.

We got to see the different changes in the seasons and feel it for ourselves. We got to see the different animals and plants and what happens to them.

We got invited into the wood working class. We had been looking at it all this time from the outside, it was a truly incredible experience for the children to be a part of that.

We got to see a family of Deer and the children asked many questions as to what they were doing on campus, why they couldn't chase them and what they were eating. On one of our walks, we even got to see a Buck!

The children seemed really excited to go on the walks and they would always look to see if things we noticed the previous time were still there. Like the birds nest we found.

We found a beautiful picnic spot and we would often have snacks in the middle of the trees at the garden and we even made friends with an Alligator named Rusty!



We found huge leaf piles and were so excited to be covered in them and to lay down. The children couldn't believe that all those leaves were once on those trees.