

Listening & stimulating conversations while drawing...

Helena: I'm making the whole school!

Wren: Hey, look! I got a school but first I need to draw the deck, the roof!

Solara: It's the studio! This is a table in the studio.

Violet: Look at my chimney!

H: We [the school] don't have a chimney!

Kahlan: I made a little one [a chimney].

(W & S voice support for chimneys & draw their own; H follows suit)

V: I made a mommy chimney- look smoke's coming out!

H: I drew our orange slide. Brown for mulch...

K: You need lots [of mulch]!

H: ...our door [goes over to our door & begins to measure it by counting] 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17...it's 80 pounds of door!

S: These are the frisbees...a ball...a ball that got thrown too high.

V: I drew Fluttershy in my hand. I'm making the toilet in my school now.

H & K in unison: The toilet?!

V: 'Cause I like the toilets in the school!

Kalei: What do you like about our school?

K: It's pretty awesome.

W: The building.

S: I can eat all the lunch I like! Pasta & fruit & watermelon...

H: [I like] how we play & [play] outside because there's so much new toys & our playground is so much bigger than our old school. It's [the playground] beautiful! The school is beautiful, too! & we're gonna have a new garden. This school is so big - really big- bigger than the old blue school! The flowers & fruit are going to be BIG! The more beautiful the school gets, the more beautiful the school is & I really love the school because it's beautiful. I am going to write a "A school for children & parents!"

Thinking About Our School – January 31, 2017

As time progresses we know that the children are deepening & diversifying the ways in which they relate to the school. Kalei invited Helena, Wren, Sol, Violet, & Kahlan to "draw the school in order to gain insight into their relationships with The Nest. Interestingly, seemed as if our outdoor work station- the Blue Room's deck, affected their interpretation of the invitation.



Sol



Violet



Helena

