



# THE PRESCHOOL AT SULLIVAN MONTESSORI

## CELEBRATION OF LIFE

CELEBRATION OF LIFE is a wonderful way to celebrate a birthday by honoring a child's life and accomplishments. About a week before your child's birthday you will be given a set of picture frames. Please put one birth photo, one at 1 year old, one at 2 years old, etc., in the appropriate frames. The story of your child's life will be read during the celebration. The following is a sample story. Let your child participate in selecting pictures and writing his or her life story.

### THE STORY OF \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ was born on \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_  
(city, state, country, continent) on the planet earth. He/she had to be held and taken care of all the time, couldn't talk to 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, crawl, etc).  
When \_\_\_\_\_ was 1 year old he/she \_\_\_\_\_ (Learned to walk, etc).  
At 2 years old \_\_\_\_\_ (learned to use the potty, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_.  
His/her favorite things were \_\_\_\_\_.  
When \_\_\_\_\_ was 3 years old he/she came to Sullivan Montessori School, 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 \_\_\_\_\_ year old! He/she can \_\_\_\_\_ all by his/herself!  
His/her favorite color is \_\_\_\_\_, favorite food is \_\_\_\_\_, favorite thing to do is \_\_\_\_\_.  
His/her favorite book is \_\_\_\_\_.

The CELEBRATION OF LIFE is done on the circle. A candle is lit to represent the moment of birth. Your child will walk once around the circle to represent each year of life. A candle is lit each time your child walks around the sun while the life story is read.

Help your child remember to bring their favorite book to have read aloud.

After lunch on your child's special day he/she may serve a special treat. Let your child help decide what to bring.

The Celebration of Life is a very special occasion to honor your child's life. You are welcome to join the celebration by reading your child's story, but in the event you are unable to attend, the teacher will read it. In either case, we thank you for your help in making your child's celebration a meaningful and memorable event.