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Little aspiring artists are excitedly involved in a fun project focusing around self-portraits in a bustling preschool. Equipped with a variety of colorful painting supplies, these miniature Picassos set out on a creative adventure of self-discovery. Large sheets of paper are placed up on easel faces, and kids are encouraged to carefully sketch their individual features while gazing into a kid-sized mirror. Tiny hands clutch crayons, markers, and paintbrushes, putting their imaginative thoughts onto paper, and the air is filled with giggles and joy. The children's unique personalities come to life on the canvases, transforming the room into a kaleidoscope of hues and expressions. In addition to developing artistic abilities, this self-portrait exercise helps people become more self-aware and confident in who they are. Each child had drawn a big circle on the paper and used crayola “colors of the world” markers and crayons. We gathered each child and matched the marker or crayon with their skin tone. There were googly eyes for them to

place on their self portrait and yarn as well. The kids were very creative with their self portraits. I was very amazed. Here are some pictures I took while they were creating their masterpieces.







