

June 2018 Newsletter



From the Directors:

Registration 2018 - 2019 School Year:

Registration for the 2018 - 2019 school year is open year-round. You can create your own schedule by add more than one program to accommodate your needs. You can get the registration forms online or in the office. To secure your child's spot for next year we will need the registration form along with the registration fee of \$125.00.

Summer Camps:

We are extremely excited about our 2018 summer camps this year! We kept some of our all-time favorites, but we added some new unique themes as well. Our camps are flexible to fit your daily needs, whether it being morning, afternoon or all-day care. You also have the option of choosing how many days per week you would like to enroll your child(ren) and we offer camps for different age groups. The camps are entertaining, informative and the children will definitely be having a lot of fun! Our camps are focused on engaging students to explore, discover, work in teams and use their imagination in a fun and creative way!

Kick-Starting into Summer Promotion:

Every year to help with the cost we like to hold different specials throughout the months. These past two months we received a good response from our "Special of the Month" promotion. We decided we would offer one more special before summer officially arrives!

- \$5 OFF on a one-day camp
- \$10 OFF on a two-day camp
- \$15 OFF on a three-day camp
- \$20 OFF on a four-day camp
- \$30 OFF on a five-day camp

To receive the promotion, you must pay at time of registration.

This special will expire on Friday, June 8th, 2018.

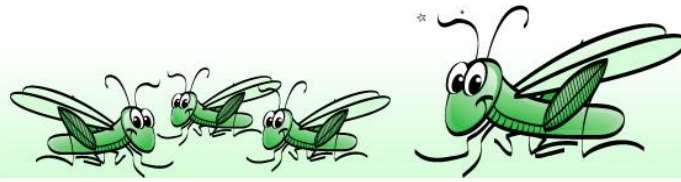
Last Day of School:

Our last day of preschool for the 2017 - 2018 school year will be on Friday, June 8th, 2018

Thank You:

We would like to say THANK YOU for allowing us the privilege to be a part of your family this school year. We are so thankful to have such wonderful families enrolled at our school. It has been a fantastic school year with lots of memories made for our students and teachers. Our students have accomplished so much this year and we could not have done this without your continuing help and support.

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Ms. Victoria Says...

Ladybugs: Alas, our final month is almost over. In May we spent a lot of time talking about the summer to come. We spent majority of our time discussing the wonders of the sea! From talking about how the waves are formed to the different types of sea animals. We also talked about oceans and other bodies of water in preparation for upcoming beach visits. Now that the weather has warmed up, summer seems that much closer. The children have enjoyed the weather and have asked pretty much every day to eat outside, which most times I oblige (weather permitting). We have been reviewing information throughout the year, but as we approach the end, we have been practicing even more. We played fun games like alphabet shell and octopus numbers to make learning more fun, which they have enjoyed. We spent a lot of time getting our hands dirty and interacting with sand in many ways from sensory bins to art projects. In June we will review all the information taught thought out the school year and focus on our graduation performance! I cannot express how much I have enjoyed this year thanks to your children. I love coming to work, and that is because it's another day of interacting with your children. I enjoyed watching them grow and learn throughout my time with them. I will never forget your children because they are all so very special, and I could not have had a better first year teaching experience. I also have been very fortunate to have such great parents. You guys are all amazing, and it's no wonder your kids are so great, they are reflections of you. Thanks so much to you all!

Ms. Maureen Says...

Frogs: The month of May has been very productive and memorable. We've enjoyed some beautiful weather out on the playground where, among other activities, the children have been practicing soccer skills, learning how to throw a football and a new favorite...frisbies! Perhaps our most special day was our Mother's Day Tea Party on May 11. The children hosted their moms to delicious food and drinks. They also decorated a picture frame and presented them with a hand-made card, poem and "cookie jar" gift sealed with a kiss! Many thanks to our wonderful mothers (and fathers) for all your support. We love when you visit! Some highlights of our curriculum this month have been studying about the ocean and its remarkable creatures. We've tried to get ready for summer by using sand in some art projects and by writing about our experiences at the beach. We also studied water itself, using it for measurement and for demonstrating waves. In math we continued to work with graphing information, working on addition and subtraction and introducing the use of "tally marks". All students have continued to work diligently on the Hooked on Phonics program. I am thrilled to see their progress and enthusiasm for learning to read! As always, the students practice writing numbers and letters correctly. On May 24, we all had a fantastic time at the annual Carnival at school! It was a joy to see the children enjoy good food, friendships and fun! It's hard to believe that we are nearly at the end of a very successful school year. The Frogs have worked tenaciously in all areas of academics while exploring their individual interests through "Center" time play. Each day I see the students perfecting their skills at planning, setting goals, cooperating, sharing and encouraging each other. We continually discuss ways to be considerate, respectful and supportive of each other. We also remember to use our best manners at all times! The Frogs have become a very unique and special class whose friendships will last forever. I wish to thank the students and parents for welcoming me to our class in February. I have enjoyed every minute of my time teaching The Frogs! I will miss them dearly and will remember them fondly. I wish you all a safe and happy summer. Kindergarten.....here we come!!

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Ms. I Says...

Inchworms: June has arrived! It is hard to believe the school the year is slowly coming to an end. My Inchworms had a great year filled with lots of learning and fun! It's a bittersweet feeling to see my Inchworms grow, I have truly enjoyed all of you and I am so happy to see them move into our 3 year old program, the Busy Bees. In May the Mother Day Tea was a huge success, the children enjoyed spending time with their moms just as much as you enjoyed spending time with them. The inchworms had a great time learning about the theme Under the Sea. My two favorite art projects they made were jelly fish puppets and crabs using their handprints! Their sensory bin this month was a sand foam sensory bins that has plastic shovels, small funnels, and seashells. We are slowly wrapping up on our alphabet. I remember when I introduced the letter W to them, they all said M and the children came to me turning the W upside down. It was a good feeling knowing they were able to recognize the letter M that they learned previously. Moments like that remind me how much I truly love teaching. For science this month we made "Ocean" blue slime that the children giggled as they played with it. We also did a float and sink experiment in the class. The children used that time no more sensory and played with the objects, but it was still fun nevertheless. In June we will do a review of the alphabet and a review of the numbers I have introduced to them. Lastly, I want to thank you for sharing your child(ren) with me these past ten months. I have enjoyed getting to know them just as I have enjoyed getting to know all of you. I wish you all a super fun-filled summer!



Ms. Robin Says...

Ladybugs: I can't believe it! Here we are at the end of our school year! It has been an exciting month and year. Our Theme, for May, was Under the Sea which included beaches and islands, along with ocean animals and plants. I was so proud of the children for all the work they put into the bulletin board. With the exception of a couple animals, all of the items on the board were created by them. They practiced counting, in Spanish, by gluing legs onto an octopus. In addition, they made fish, and sea stars (formally known as star fish) and sea weed. Aside from the board, they practiced sinking and floating by adding items to a container filled with water. After making their predictions, the children added their items (such as a cork, penny, pebble, popsicle stick, etc.) and noted which items sank and which floated, based on their predictions. Next a significant amount of salt was added to the same water and the children were astounded to see some of the items that sank previously, later floated. Our letters for May were E, I, O and U, with one review. Finally, feelings were a major part of our month. The children learned about sympathy/empathy. They also learned how a bad day may make a friend act differently (angry, upset, standoffish) and how they may need a little extra compassion. Speaking of feelings, I had to come to terms with my own. As a teacher, I am always so proud of my students when they take that next step in their lives. Letting go of them is a different story altogether. Your children have taught me as much. I have never felt as blessed as I do right now. Thank you for entrusting me with them and thank you for being as wonderful as you are. I could not have gotten through this year, as well as I have, without their bright, shiny faces, their eagerness to learn, and, above all, your support. Thank you for all of your suggestions and all of the blessing you have bestowed upon me. I adore your child(ren) and am so happy I was able to spend as much time with them as I did. I truly dislike to see the year come to an end, as I have grown so fondly of them. I am certain they will do well in their years ahead.

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Ms. Shawna Says:

Ladybugs: The countdown to the last day of school has begun and it is hard to imagine that this wonderful year is drawing to a close. This has been a fabulous year of learning and fun. This month, we have been studying ocean life and the wonderful world of water. The class has really enjoyed making lots of sea creatures in art, which can be found hanging in our classroom. In science, we have explored with water experiments and learned about the concept of sink and float. Addresses and vowels have been the topic for language, they are doing such a great job in their writing skills. In math we have reviewed our numbers and are learning how to write out number words. The class all worked so hard on their Mother's Day Performances and their crafts, we hope you truly enjoyed the Mother's Day Tea. So happy that everyone could make it, they really enjoyed spending that special time with you! A personal and heartfelt "Thank You" to all the parents and students for all of the lovely teacher and Mother's Day gifts. I absolutely loved them all, especially all the cute drawings and handmade items. I have truly enjoyed being your child's teacher even though I started out late in the school year, you all made me felt welcome. I know my students will all succeed next year and I wish them the best of luck in Kindergarten! We look forward to seeing you all again at the graduation ceremony. Thank you for all of your help and support. It has truly been a blessing to have your children in my class! Wishing each and every one of you a happy, fun-filled and safe summer!

Ms. Teresa Says...

Busy Bees: In May we were very excited to host our Mother's Day Tea in our classroom. The children enjoyed being able to sing a couple of song, have a fantastic snack and do a craft with their own mother. Thank you to the moms who were able to come and make it a fun time! In May we also worked on our "Vowel letters" - Aa, Ii, Oo, Uu and Ee. The children have started to notice that their own names contain at least one of the vowels. Our theme of the month, "Under the Sea" was a fun one. We learned about some of the sea creatures that live in the ocean, such as, seahorses, jellyfish, and sharks. The class explored in sensory containers containing water and various sea creatures. We even made our own pirate and used our pirate map to find treasure. We also learned about some of the items that might sink or float. We practiced recognizing the shape and sounds of the letters and counting in both English and Spanish. **We will celebrate all of our friends who have summer birthdays on June 5th and 6th. If your child has a summer birthday feel free to send in a birthday treat on one of those 2 days!** Looking ahead - graduation from the Busy Bee class is fast approaching. The children have been working very hard practicing their graduation songs. The class and I are looking forward to a fun performance. **The graduation will take place in our classroom on the last day of school, Thursday June 7th.** It will begin at 11:30. We will sing our songs (3) and I will hand out their certificate of completion of the Busy Bee program at Daytime Playtime. Then, summer time break will officially start! It has been a privilege to get to know your children and watch the academic and social growth each one of them has made this past school year. I thank you for sharing your child with me this past school year! I hope you all have a fun filled summer.

Ms. JJ Says...

Busy Bees: It's hard to believe May has come and gone. I'll admit for a time there I was wondering if we should build a boat as a class project to escape all the rain we received, but it finally cleared up. Rain or shine, we had a wonderful month filled with art, science, and lots of hands on learning. Our sink or float was experiment was a lot of fun. The children had a great time testing all kinds of objects to see what would happen in our bin of water. Then we started our unit on oceans and ocean life. We made colorful seahorses that have been hung up in the hallway. They turned out beautiful and unique, just like all our busy bees. Then the children created oceans in a bottled. Each student started with an empty bottle and then added sand, seashells, and an ocean animal. We finished by adding water and a drop of food coloring. I glued the lids on and explained they shouldn't try to take the cap off. We also read lots of ocean themed books including our book of the month "How Deep is the Sea?", "Rainbow Fish", "Coral Reefs", and "Sharks!". We discussed how when our oceans' coral reefs are healthy, our oceans are healthy. We also talked about how sharks have been part of the oceans ecosystem for millions of years, and although we don't want to swim with them they are an important part of earths' oceans.

We've been finishing the letters of the alphabet with our vowels. We will continue to have show & tell up until the last week of school so please continue to send items in with your child. In addition, I wanted to thank everyone for all my wonderful gifts during teacher appreciation week. I loved everything and felt very loved with all of your generosity, so THANK YOU from the bottom of my heart! This will be my last newsletter of the year, and as I reflect on it I wanted to share a few things with you. Being a part of your children's lives has brought me great joy. It's been a fantastic year and I hope you all feel the same way. I hope everyone has a fun summer, and where ever life takes you please know that your children helped me grow as a teacher. They truly have made an impression on my heart. And yes, you will probably see me cry on their last day so please don't be alarmed. 😊



Ms. Lindsey Says...

Ladybugs: It is hard to believe that this is our last newsletter of the preschool year. I hope you are enjoying the warm weather with your families! Throughout May, we discussed the following themes: *Floating/Sinking, Ocean Animals, Plants, Mother's Day, and Beaches.* In May we had our Mother's Day Tea. It was a very special time when the Moms paid a visit to our classroom and we hope you treasured the songs we prepared and performed for you! The children were so excited to make crowns and visit with their mothers. Another favorite pastime of the students this month has been watching caterpillars. It has been spectacular to see the caterpillars turn into butterflies before our very eyes. This has held the children's interest and has been the topic of many exciting classroom discussions! In Language Arts this month, we focused on the letters Aa, Ii, Oo and Uu. The children did a great job brainstorming words that start with these letters. We also worked in our letter journals in anticipation of sharing them with you at the end of the year! Before we do our letter handwriting each day, we have a class song that we sing about starting our letters at the top. Ask your child about it! It has been a great reminder for all of them that we should always start our letters at the top. We will also continue to work on all of the letters in the alphabet until the end of the year. We will be reviewing everything we have learned this year and will continue to let the children play and explore. They learn so much through fun, hands-on activities! In June, we will have one fun week together before Graduation! We will be practicing two very special songs that we will perform at our graduation. Where did the time go? Your children have grown so much this year! It brings me so much joy to watch them grow, mature, and exhibit more confidence each day. Thank you for your involvement and commitment to your child's learning this year and for sharing your children with us and entrusting them to our care! Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. I hope you have a relaxing and safe summer!

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Ms. I Says...

Busy Bees: The 2017 - 2018 school year is done; can you believe it? Our Busy Bees will be emerging into Ladybugs and I am SO proud of them. They each have grown so much in the past school year and I cannot wait to see that the future has in store for them! But enough of me gushing, let's get back to business! Last month the Busy Bees had fun learning about the theme Under the Sea, where they enjoyed projects like making a 3-dimensional beach ball, seaweed, a sea turtle and making several different types of jelly fish. Not mention using our impressive math skills to make an octopus. We also got a chance to do a few science experiments such as making sand foam, blue "ocean" slime, and conducting a float and sink experiment! The children made their hypothesis first then conducted each experiment. Loved hearing all the giggles and yelling (in excitement, of course) come from them. Although June is a very short month, it does not mean we are going to slack off. We will be reviewing the whole alphabet and touch on our counting as well as recognizing numerals. Lastly, I would like to thank all of my parents to entrusting your child with me this school year. It has been a pleasure watching them grow and learn throughout these past 10 months. I have truly loved being their teacher as well as getting to know all of you. I hope to see you during the summer in passing or at one of our summer camps. I wish you all a fantastic fun-filled summer!