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Spring is Around the Corner

Kindergarten News

Last month was a busy month filled with celebrations and activities. We celebrated a Hundred Days of school by making a 100-gumballs machine, 100-sprinkles crafts and participated in various activities that encouraged students to sort and count to 100. The children also made a 100 items board using different items like buttons, coffee beans etc. During one of our circle times we reflected upon some of the major milestones so far in this academic year. We also focused on staying healthy and particularly about having a healthy heart. With our 'Valentine to My Heart' activity, children made observations about their pulse

and heart rate, and made an art project to show appreciation for their hard-working hearts. In math the children explored different 3-D shapes and learned about faces and edges. We are almost finished learning our letters/sounds. It is wonderful to see them read their sight words and home reading books at circle time. Thank you for your continued practice at home.

March marks the birthday of one of our favorite authors; Dr. Seuss! Children will explore the many books of Dr. Seuss and celebrate the joy of reading by honoring Dr. Seuss's birthday! In literacy, the children will be introduced to journal writing. Starting journals will take practice just like any class-

room routine. During the entire first week, I will demonstrate using my journal at circle time; writing my name at the top, drawing a picture, and making notes on the line.

Also, this month, children will learn about plants and animals and what they need to survive. We will continue to discuss about being good citizens this month and understand the roles of citizens, similarities and differences in self and others, and know why it is important to follow rules. In math, we will be learning patterns and sequences and how to skip count by 2s, 5s and 10s. It helps students see patterns in numbers as well as laying a great foundation for number sense.

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Dates this Month

- Mar 14th** - Day light saving set your clocks ahead
- Mar 17th** - St Patrick's Day (Wear Green)
- Mar 26th** - last day of class Spring break/No School
- April 6th** - School resumes

Happy Birthday!

- Mar 1st**
Marc Obenza Age 5
- Mar 21st**
Aston Allegro Age 6

Sounds of the Week

THIS MONTH'S SOUNDS

As we continue to follow Covid protocols and keep items coming into our class to a minimum, we will explore our sound cabinet every day instead of having a sound basket. These items introduce and help reinforce the phonetic sounds of the letters for young learners.

- Mar 1st**
- "b" as in bag
- Mar 8th**
- "q" as in queen
- Mar 15th**
- "o" as in off/on
- Mar 22nd**
- "v" as in van



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REMINDERS:

Registration

Parents who are currently registered in our preschool will be offered priority for registering for the upcoming school year. Priority for specific days and limited seating for Kindergarten will be available until Feb 7th. After that date, we will open the registration process to the general public.

Drop-off Procedures

Please wait until the teacher verifies that your child's temperature is acceptable to attend school before leaving at drop-off. Thank you!

Year End Tax Receipts

If you require a year end tax receipt, please send an email with your child's name, name for the receipt and current address. We will process requests in order received as quickly as possible.

Digital Covid Questionnaires

A new email has been created to send the covid questionnaires to in the mornings after your child's temperature has been taken and before dropping them off at the classroom. The form must arrive before we can allow them entry or a paper one will need to be completed. The form can now be emailed to pathwaychecklists@gmail.com

Preschool News

Montessori Preschool

March has arrived and it's so wonderful to know that spring is right around the corner! The clocks jump forward bringing more daylight, better weather and the joy of spending more time outdoors.

Our focus for this month will be Botany. Teaching children botany opens a whole new world to them, stimulating their senses and generating excitement about the wonders of Mother Nature. One lesson uses 3-part cards consisting of a card with the picture and word label, a card of the picture, and a card with the word label. As usual, we will have crafts to go along with our theme. Thank you for all the wonderful donations of plants; we

are super excited to have them in our class. The children are looking forward to caring for them as well as planting their own carrots and herbs to observe how they grow.

Please have your child wear green on Thursday, March 17th to celebrate St. Patrick's Day.



"You're off to Great Places! Today is your day!
Your mountain is waiting, So... get on your way!"

- Dr. Seuss, *Oh, the Places You'll Go!*