



June 2023 Newsletter

SUMMER IS FINALLY HERE!

Let's enjoy the sunshine!!!



Dear Parents,

The School Year is coming to an end and Summer is near! It's time for warmer weather and a lot of time to play outside. As always, we are excited to provide your child with wonderful summer experiences filled with exploration, creativity and of course, FUN! Children will engage in sprinkler play so don't forget to bring a bathing suit, towel, and water shoes for your child. If you have not done so already, please fill out the Sunscreen and Bug Spray permission slip forms.

Sneakers are the safest and best footwear to try to prevent accidental falls while playing outside. **Children are not permitted to wear shoes with heels or flip flops.** Thank You for your cooperation.

We are offering in-person Spring Parent/ Teacher Conferences with your child's teacher. We are scheduling conferences on June 5th, 6th, and 7th. We encourage all parents to attend!



**Pre-K Graduation
June 1st at 6:00pm**



Happy Father's Day: A father's gifts of quality time, life-giving words, and positive actions have a long-lasting impact on his children.



**Donuts with Dad
June 16th at 2:30pm**



**Happy
Fathers
Day!** ★

Dates to Remember

- Jun 1st – Graduation Day!
- Jun 5th to 7th – Parent Teacher Conferences
- Jun 6th to 8th – Early Dismissal, Last Day of School SASD
- Jun 12th – Create Father's Day Card & Gift
- Jun 14th – Ice Pop Day
- Jun 16th - Donuts with Dad 2:30pm
- Jun 20th – Lucky Dutchman Gem Presentation 10am
- Jun 23rd – Dino Stomp Parade 10:30am
- June 27th – 4th of July Tie-Dye Shirt Day
- June 30th – Circus Fun Day

CLASSROOM NEWS!!!

Infant Room News:

Happy Spring almost Summer to us ALL!

This May we celebrated Mother's Day with a Tea Party for all of our wonderful Moms who do so much for us all! We hope you enjoyed our pampering from our Mary Kay representative as well as the tasty treats!

When outside at night you and your child can always take a moment to look up at the moon and stars. Dream BIG little ones, your future will take you far!

- Ms. Stacey & Ms. Peggy



Waddler Room News:

June is here and we are enjoying the warm weather!

In May the Waddlers really enjoyed reading Fairytale books. Their favorite Fairytale story was The Three Little Pigs. They learned how to build Fairytale castles out of plastic drinking cups. This activity also helped them work on their hand-eye coordination,

The Waddlers are still working on improving their listening skills, following directions, being able to put toys back on the shelves where they belong and being kind to their friends.

- Ms. Laura & Ms. Emily



WELCOME OUR NEW STUDENTS & STAFF!!!

We like to welcome our new assistant teacher Miss Danielle!

We are very happy to have you join our Bright Beginnings family!



JUNE BIRTHDAYS!!!

6/02 - Saige B	6/11 - Cayla Z
6/12 - Marcus K	6/13 - Leah R
6/14 - David A	6/18 - Ms. Karlyn
6/19 - Amir S	6/19 - Jennessy G
6/21 - Delilah M	6/24 - Ms. Carrie
6/30 - Ms. Lisa	

JUNE WEEKLY THEMES

Week 1: Teacher's Choice

Week 2: Summer Fun!



Week 3: Dino Dig

Week 4: Circus Fun



SCHOLASTIC BOOKS ORDERS!!!

We will be doing our monthly Scholastic Book orders again!

This is a great way to get some children's books for your child's collection and help us earn free books for the school! Orders are due the 15th of the month and shipped right to the school for easy pick up. You can order using the order forms or online.



CLASSROOM NEWS CONTINUED!!!

Toddler Room News:

Hello Parents,

It's so nice to be able to get all of our Toddler Friends outside on the playground every day to give them time to run off some of their energy. They love playing on the Beam in the school age classroom too.

The Toddlers really enjoyed having their mom's come to the center for Mother's Day Tea and eating all the yummy treats. And when doing anything Art related, they have fun and take their time creating.

As always, we are working on self-help skills as we are trying to use our:

- ✓ Listening
- ✓ Walking Feet Inside,
- ✓ Using Our Words to Solve our Problems with our Friends,
- ✓ Keeping our Toys in the appropriate Play Centers/ Areas,
- ✓ And Cleaning Up After themselves when finished with Meals and Playing with Toys.

We ask that our parents help their child perform these tasks/ directions at home. Your help is greatly appreciated!

- Ms. Amanda & Ms. Karlyn



Preschool Room News:

Hey there preschool families!

May has been such an exciting month! Our preschool friends learned all about camping, had so much fun fishing off our balance beam and pretending to camp in a tent.

We took time to celebrate our amazing moms and grandmas for Mother's Day by creating a special gift and having a tea party! Mother Goose also dropped in while we learned about nurse rhymes.

We then stepped into the rainforest, jumped over our steppingstones like frogs and created our parrot friends in art. We now can count down from 10-1 as we blasted off into space and learned about our planets.

Can I get a YEEHAW for our preschool friends as they wrapped up the month learning about the wild west as we transformed into cowboys and cowgirls.

Our friends have learned so much and continue to grow! Can't wait to see what June brings.

- Ms. Devin & Ms. Danielle



REFERRAL PLAN

Invite family or friends to visit our center. When they enroll with us you earn \$50 in cash or a \$50 credit towards your next invoice.



CLASSROOM NEWS CONTINUED!!!

Pre-K Room News:

We had so much fun this past month and participated in a lot of awesome activities. During camping week, we made s'mores, that was a yummy snack and we mixed colors to paint our own campfire which made it really feel like we were at a campground.

Reading Classic Nursery Rhymes and Fairytales was a great way to expand our dramatic play center. The children really enjoyed acting out the Three Little Pigs and Jack and the Bean Stalk stories.

During Rainforest week we learned all about the exotic animals and birds that live in the Amazon rainforest. We made colorful parrots and toucans to brighten up the classroom.

Our Space and Astronaut theme was out of this world. We had a blast painting our own planets on rocks and everyone enjoyed exploring the sensory moon rock box.

Finally, during Way Out West we had so much fun learning how to line dance. We wrote thank you letters to our Veterans and made crafts with the colors of the flag in honor of Memorial Day.

The graduates have been practicing their songs and they are super excited for their Graduation on June 1st, and they are looking forward to Summer Fun!

We would like to welcome back Annalee for the summer!

- Ms. Carrie & Ms. Lisa



School Age

Hello! Welcome to June! May was amazing! The children had an awesome month from making Mother's Day cards to planting flowers to enjoying the warm days outside. We would like to welcome Cataleya, Ashley, Christian, Sammy, and Cameron back for the summer!

For this month, we want to make sure that the children have everything they need to enjoy their summer with us.

- Please see Ms. Crystal for a Sunscreen form, if needed, to be filled out and brought back along with the sunscreen you choose to provide. If your child brings in sunscreen and we do not have a form on file, the child will not be able to use it. Please give the sunscreen directly to a teacher for this is a "Keep Out of Reach" item.
- Please make sure that your child has lunch as well as plenty of healthy snacks. If your child needs their lunch heated up, please remember to put their lunch in a microwaveable safe dish with a lid.
- Please look into buying a water bottle that can be reused daily as we want to make sure the children are well-hydrated while they are outside playing.
- Please make sure that the children have their pillows and blankets for movie time.

And most important, please remind the children that although we are going to have an awesome time this summer, they are still expected to use their listening ears, inside voices, nice hands, and walking feet as we want to make sure that they are staying safe, mindful, and respectful.

CAN'T WAIT TO PARTY!!!!!!

- Ms. Crystal & Ms. Meghan



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Eliminate Barriers to Risk Taking in Outdoor Play

BY: AMANDA STEINER, ANNE KARABON, LEAH LITZ

All children need daily, sustained opportunities to play outdoors, where they can learn about their bodies in space and use big muscle movements to climb, crawl, run, and jump. Outdoor play is part of developmentally appropriate practice, and the American Academy of Pediatrics recommends children spend 60 minutes daily working their large muscles. Research, however, continues to show an increase in indoor, sedentary activity. A 2020 report from the academy went so far as to recommend pediatricians write prescriptions for physical activity.

Outdoor play includes running and moving vigorously, climbing on equipment, and navigating uneven terrain. It also includes boisterous large motor activities like tag, tumbling, and pretend fighting. This physicality gets hearts pumping and blood flowing, both of which support cardiovascular and muscular fitness, bone health, and healthy weight.

Yet the benefits of outdoor play aren't just physical. It also allows children to challenge themselves and become appraisers of risk. This, in turn, helps develop cognitive, social and emotional, and self-regulatory skills.

Outdoor play environments such as parks, playgrounds, and community spaces are often familiar to children. As they grow in their comfort with these areas, their desire to test their limits and explore their capabilities grows. Yet early childhood educators often impose limits on risky play in an effort to promote safety. For example, they may not allow children to walk up the slide, even though this promotes the use of large muscle groups not activated when sliding down.

While well-intentioned, imposing rigid rules on how children engage in the outdoors can lead to missed opportunities for development in multiple domains. (For more about this, see "Climbing Trees, Risk, and Relationships: Using Nature to Empower Children," by Ron Grady, in the Fall 2021 issue of Teaching Young Children.) As they climb up slides, jump over equipment, and chase each other, children learn to assess risk, devise a plan, and take action. They make decisions and problem solve when they face a challenging moment. They also learn to process and navigate their feelings and emotions. These actions build resilience as children experience success or challenges.

While not every child will approach risk taking with the same enthusiasm, it's up to educators to foster risk taking in safe and meaningful ways that are responsive to each child's individual strengths and needs. By encouraging children to explore their world and use problem-solving skills to appraise risk, educators foster developmentally appropriate big body movement and outdoor play.

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A LOOK BACK AT MAY EVENTS



YOUR FEEDBACK

We appreciate the wonderful feedback we have received so far! Thank you so much! Please support us by sharing that great feedback with others by giving us a 5-star review on our [website](#) or on our [Facebook](#) page. Thank you for your help and for being a part of our Bright Beginnings family!