



LAST MONTH OF SUMMER!

Dear Parents!



Summer is beginning to wind down, and before we know it, beach bags will be replaced with backpacks and pencils as we prepare for a brand-new school year. The 2026–2027 school year begins in just a few weeks, and we are so excited to welcome everyone back!

While we are not quite ready to say goodbye to summer, we are looking forward to all the fun, learning, and new adventures the coming year will bring. Get ready, get set, and GROW with us at Bright Beginnings!

We will be preparing our classroom rosters soon. Please provide Ms. Dina or Ms. Linda with any upcoming schedule changes at least two weeks in advance.

School-age parents: Please let us know your child's bus number, as well as the scheduled pick-up and drop-off times, as soon as possible.

Thank you!



DATES TO REMEMBER

- Aug 5 - Elephant Toothpaste
- Aug 11 – Build a Classroom Pirate Ship
- Aug 14 - Sponge Bomb Water Play
- Aug 19 - Musical Drawing
- Aug 21 - Bright Beginnings CLOSED (In-Service Day)
- Aug 25 - Create a Hawaiian Lei
- Aug 28 - End of Summer Luau & Bouncy House
- Aug 31 - Discuss & Create a Back-to-School Rule Chart
- Aug 31 - First Day of School for Stroudsburg Area School District

**BACK to
SCHOOL**
STROUDSBURG SCHOOLS
START AUGUST 31ST



WELCOME OUR NEW STUDENTS!!!

We are excited to welcome Ms. Jahnisia as our full time cook and Mr. Ian as a part-time Floater. We are so happy to have you both join the Bright Beginnings team. Welcome aboard!

We are also delighted to welcome several new children to our Bright Beginnings family: Harlan C. to our Infant classroom; Delilah P. to our Waddler classroom; her big brother, Cameron W., to our School-Age classroom; Alexander K. to our Preschool classroom; and Roary L. to our Pre-K classroom.

We are so happy to have each of you with us!



SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS



We place Scholastic Book orders monthly! 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.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY
To You

Aug 01 - Chareze L.
Aug 04 - Willow M.
Aug 05 - Keyrie K.
Aug 06 - Jolene W.
Aug 14 - Calvin K.
Aug 15 - Jaxson H.
Aug 18 - Ms. Melanie
Aug 21 - Artie B-A.
Aug 23 - Everly S.
Aug 25 - Jensen N.
Aug 26 - Scarlett W.

AUGUST WEEKLY THEMES

Week 1: Summer Scientist

Week 2: Musical Jamboree

Week 3: "Ahoy Mateys"

Week 4: Goodbye Summer

Week 5: Back to School





Classroom News

INFANT ROOM

Hello Infant Parents,

Our summer has been filled with fun and exciting activities! In June, we welcomed the season by visiting with our reptile friends, enjoying Donuts with Dads, and spending a fun-filled day at the circus.

We hope all of our families had a happy and safe Fourth of July as we celebrated America's 250th birthday!

During Camping Fun Week, we enjoyed wearing our pajamas to school. We also used our creativity to make beautiful artwork for display at the annual Bright Beginnings Art Show.

We had a wonderful time celebrating Felix's birthday as our friend turned the big ONE!

We would also like to welcome a new student to our classroom. Welcome, Harlan! We are so happy to have you join our class.

As students begin a new school year in August, our Infant class will also begin exploring the alphabet, colors, shapes, and numbers through age-appropriate activities.

Stay safe and enjoy the rest of the summer!

Ms. Peggy & Ms. Katelyn



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.



WADDLER ROOM

Hello Waddler Room Parents,

July was certainly a fun-filled month for our Waddlers!

To celebrate the Fourth of July, the children made tie-dyed T-shirts. They especially enjoyed spraying the red and blue dye onto their shirts and watching the colors spread. We love seeing their reactions as they explore, experiment, and begin to understand how things work. As always, it is a joy to watch your child learn and discover new things each day!

During Camping Week, the Waddlers enjoyed delicious s'mores treats and getting cozy in their pajamas.

The children especially loved Dinosaur Week as they learned all about dinosaurs. One of their favorite activities was digging in the dirt to search for dinosaur figurines. After all, what Waddler does not love getting a little dirty?

One of our favorite summer activities continues to be water play. The children always have a wonderful time splashing and playing together.

We are looking forward to many more fun and exciting activities in August!

- Ms. Laura & Ms. Melanie



Classroom News

TODDLER ROOM

Dear Toddler Parents,

We had a blast kicking off July by celebrating Independence Day with red, white, and blue tie-dye shirts. The children had so much fun showing off their patriotic creations!

During Dinosaur Week, we learned all about dinosaurs and made our own clay fossils, which were a huge hit! We also had a special visit from a dinosaur friend. Some children were excited, while others were a little nervous, but everyone smiled when the dinosaur revealed herself—it was Ms. Dina all along!

Camping Week was another favorite! We enjoyed delicious—and very sticky—s'mores, learned about camping through stories and imaginative play, and gathered around our classroom campfire to sing songs together.

During Art Week, the children enjoyed drawing, coloring, making crafts, and decorating the classroom. Thank you to all the parents who attended our Art Show and supported our little artists! During Ocean Commotion Week, we explored sea animals, read books about life under the sea, and created colorful sun catchers for our classroom windows.

As we continue through the summer, we will keep working on positive classroom behaviors by using our listening ears, following directions, and keeping our hands to ourselves. We will continue using our behavior folders and green, yellow, and red behavior chart. Children who earn green days and weeks without behavior reports may choose special treats or prizes. Please continue encouraging these expectations at home, as consistency between home and school makes a big difference.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership. We look forward to making more wonderful memories with your children throughout the rest of the summer!

Warmly,
Ms. Brenda & Ms. Jessica





Classroom News

PRESCHOOL PREP

Hello, Preschool Prep Families!

July has been a fantastic month! Under the hot summer sun, the students have enjoyed water play and outdoor activities while actively learning along the way.

We began the month by celebrating the Fourth of July. Our friends practiced muscle control, grip, and creativity by using rubber bands and spray bottles to tie-dye white T-shirts with red and blue dye. They also focused on coloring stars and fireworks inside the lines. We discussed the 250th anniversary of the United States, the flag, and how this national holiday began.

After that first week, we dove into our Dino Dig theme! The students learned about fossils found on our planet and how they can be traced back to dinosaurs. I am happy to announce that the students have many talents, including music! They happily sang and danced to "Stomp Like a Dinosaur" and have continued singing it in the classroom.

During Camping Fun, the students learned about outdoor camping activities, including campfires, tents, and s'mores. YUMMY!

As we celebrated art, everyone was excited for the annual Art Show! We enjoyed seeing all the parents who attended and viewed their children's artwork on display..

We wrapped up the month with Ocean Commotion! The students learned about sea creatures and the oceans of our world.

As a reminder, please apply sunscreen to your child and dress them in weather-appropriate clothing!

Ms. Aleida



SCHOOL AGE

Hello School Age Parents!

July was a wonderful month filled with exploration! We began with Dino Dig, learning about fossils and ancient creatures. Camping Fun brought outdoor-themed activities and opportunities for teamwork, and Mrs. Linda even spoke to us about camping. During Let's Celebrate Art, the children expressed themselves through painting and drawing. As always, our Annual Art Show was a great success! We ended July with Ocean Commotion, learning about sea animals, habitats, and ocean science. 😊

As we move into August, our themes will continue to inspire wonder and creativity. We'll begin with Summer Scientist, encouraging hands-on experiments and discovery. Next, we'll enjoy Ahoy Mateys as we explore ocean life, maps, and pirate adventures. Maybe we'll even search for treasure! Our Goodbye Summer Luau will celebrate the end of summer with fun and creative activities. We'll finish the month with Back to School, helping the children prepare for new routines, friendships, and learning experiences.

Ms. Crystal, Ms. Rose & Ms. Tiffany



Classroom News

PRE-K ROOM

Hello Pre-K Families! Hope you're having a wonderful summer!!!

July was HOT, HOT, HOT... EXCITING and sooooo much FUN!!!

Summer is in full swing, and so are our Water Play Days. The children are loving them, and the teachers are having a blast too!

We started the month by celebrating 250 years of our beautiful country and honoring our flag. We learned the importance and significance of the Stars and Stripes, along with who our Founding Fathers were. We made a beautiful birthday poster with our Preschool friends. We wore our cool red, white, and blue tie-dye shirts—they came out awesome 🇺🇸, and marched to patriotic songs!

Dino Week was awesome! We learned about different dinosaurs and prehistoric times. We are so proud of Artie and Karter for sharing their knowledge with their friends and even teaching Ms. Marci and me a few things too! The children had a blast learning and making their own fossils.

Camping Week was a BLAST!!! We made s'mores, created marshmallow art, and enjoyed Pajama Day. We brought in flashlights and made shadow art on the ceiling and walls. Fun was had by all!!!

Our CREATIVE juices were flowing during Art Week! We loved watching the children create Michelangelo paintings, foil art, sculptures, round-table group art, and so much more. The children were so EXCITED to have their families attend our Art Show and see their creations!

"Ocean Commotion" was a real SPLASH!!! We learned about some really cool ocean creatures, read FUN books, and created amazing art projects.

We have some FANTASTIC activities and events planned for August, so stay tuned... August, here we come!

Ms. Lisa & Ms. Marci

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PRESCHOOL

Hello School Age Parents!

We would like to welcome Alexander K. to our classroom! He has been settling in well and making many new friends.

Our Preschool friends have been doing an amazing job during circle time! They know the days of the week very well and help one another when needed. Awesome job, friends, keep up the great work!

In July, we had so much fun during Dino Dig, Camping Fun, Celebrate Art, and Ocean Commotion. Our kiddos enjoyed making clay fossils, s'mores, nature binoculars, and many different types of art. Thank you, parents, for supporting your children during the Art Show! They worked very hard. ♥

We can't wait to see what August has in store!

Ms. Mariane and Ms. Teresa



Raising Kids

GETTING READY FOR SCHOOL: A PREPAREDNESS TOOL GUIDE

It is nearly time to start the new school year! Here are some things you can help your child practice at home to help them get ready for school.

Self-Care and Independence

- Wash and dry hands using the proper handwash steps
- Wipe own nose
- Put on coat and shoes
- Dress and undress self

Playing with Other

- Join in during games and activities
- Share and Take turns

Eating and Drinking

- Use a spoon and fork
- Can open wrappers, packaging and be able to peel fruit.
- Can drink from a water bottle, carton or open cup

Speaking and Listening

- Can talk about ideas, needs, and feelings
- Can ask a teacher for help
- Can follow simple instructions

Numbers

- Can count a small number of items
- Sing number rhymes or songs
- Learning or can say numbers up to 10 or higher
- Recognize some numbers

Reading and Writing

- Can recognize /read name
- Hold a pencil/crayon to draw
- Learning to write my name
- Enjoy listening to stories, rhymes, and songs

Resource: <https://www.twinkl.lk/resource/school-readiness-poster-t-tp-69735>



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A Lookback at July Events



2026 ART SHOW



YOUR FEEDBACK

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



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