



OUR NEW SCHOOL YEAR IS HERE!!!

Dear Parents!

We had a GREAT summer filled with fun activities, special guests, treats, and our End-of-Summer Luau! We hope all of our families had a wonderful summer.

Welcome to the 2026-27 school year!

Let's get ready for learning, friendships, and lots of great memories! Please help us start the year smoothly by remembering:

LABEL EVERYTHING: Please put your child's name on all clothing, nap items, cups, bottles, diapers, wipes, and other belongings.

BEDDING: Bring bedding on your child's first day of the week and take it home on their last day to be washed. Please use a cloth bag or backpack.
No Plastic Bags Allowed

EXTRA CLOTHES: Keep a full, labeled change of clothes in your child's cubby and update it each season.

REMINDER: Please send WATER ONLY in your child's water bottle or cup. Items labeled "KEEP OUT OF REACH", including medications, lotions, ChapStick, and similar products, may NOT be left in backpacks.

Thank you for your cooperation!



DATES TO REMEMBER

- Sep 4 - Stroudsburg Area School District Closed (SASD)
- Sep 7 - Bright Beginnings & SASD Closed in observance of Labor Day
- Sep 9 - My Family Portrait
- Sep 11 - Grandparents & Me Day Celebration (3-3:30pm)
- Sep 15 - Pet Show & Tell
- Sep 17 - Family Collage
- Sep 18 - SASD Closed (Act 80 Day)
- Sep 23 - Emotions Paper Plate Craft
- Sep 21 & 22 - Fall Pictures
- Sep 28th - 2hr Delay SASD
- Sep 30th - Commemorate Johnny Apple Seed Day

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL



WELCOME OUR NEW STUDENTS!!!

We are excited to welcome Ms. Venecia, our new cook, to the Bright Beginnings team! We are also happy to welcome back Ms. Kierra, and Ms. Arianna from summer break.

A warm welcome to our new students:

Infant: Evelyn S.

Waddler: Callen, Robyn, Nia, and Elena

Preschool: Jovielysse, Renley, and Colson

Pre-K: Robert, Jay, James, Rowan, Rayne, and Kanai

School Age: Angelo, Roary, Jolene, Saige, Zaedn, Ryan and Asher

Welcome back to our School Age students Briella B., Jaelis I., Cayla Z., Greyson L., Malaya C., Mylo C., Alayah K., Aaron S., and Everliegh H.

Congratulations to all of our students moving up to new classrooms this school year!



Sep 05 - Ms. Kierra

Sep 08 - Xzayden M.

Sep 13 - Scarlet M.

Sep 18 - Mr. Ian

Sep 21 - Ms. Peggy

Sep 24 - Mylo C.

Sep 25 - Ryder S.

Sep 28 - Ms. Gail

Sep 29 - Sabrina N.



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.

SEPTEMBER WEEKLY THEMES

Week 2: Back to School



Week 2: All About Me

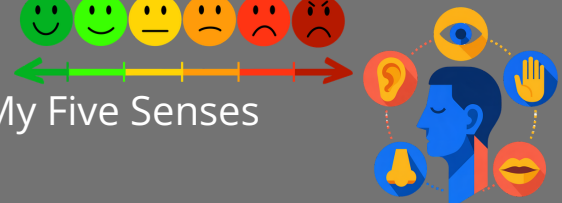
Week 3: My Family & Pets



Week 4: My Feelings & Emotions



Week 5: My Five Senses





Classroom News

INFANT ROOM

Hello Infant Parents,

As summer draws to a close and school begins, we would like to look back on some of our accomplishments!

Felix has advanced from cruising along furniture to walking independently and will soon be graduating to the Waddler classroom! Rowin, Victra, Nova, Kali, and Brian are all sitting up without support. Harlan is growing bigger and stronger each day and continues to meet his milestones!

Sabrina is standing with great balance and has begun taking steps!

As we begin the new school year, we will learn all about ourselves during All About Me Week and explore our Five Senses and Feelings and Emotions.

Our friends in the Infant Classroom love story time, so we encourage families to continue reading with their children and helping foster a love of books and reading.

As always, please contact us with any questions or concerns about your child.

Ms. Peggy & Ms. Katie



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,

The Waddler Classroom ended the summer with a bang! August was filled with lots of fun activities, starting with science experiments. The children love learning about science and are always excited to see what happens when different elements are mixed together. Even during everyday art activities, they are fascinated by mixing different paint colors to see what new colors they can create.

Next, we celebrated Pirate Week by making a pirate ship and enjoying an all-center Water Sponge Bomb activity. The children and teachers had lots of fun throwing wet sponges at their friends and getting soaked!

We ended the month by saying goodbye to summer with our annual Luau Celebration and lots of fun in the bounce house.

The Waddler Classroom is looking forward to a brand-new school year! A few of our friends are transitioning to the Toddler Classroom. We will miss them, but we are excited to see what new adventures await them!

- Ms. Laura & Ms. Melanie





Classroom News

TODDLER ROOM

Dear Toddler Parents,

What an amazing summer it has been! Our toddlers have spent the past few weeks learning, exploring, creating, and making wonderful memories together.

Our little scientists explored through fun experiments, sensory activities, and hands-on discoveries while practicing curiosity and observation.

Ahoy, mateys! We enjoyed pirate-themed stories, songs, crafts, sensory play, and treasure-hunting adventures!

Then, we sang, danced, clapped, and explored different instruments, sounds, and rhythms. Our classroom was filled with music and smiles!

We celebrated our favorite summer memories while getting ready for a new school year. The children practiced routines, independence, friendship, manners, and following directions. We are so proud of how much they have grown!

Bittersweet Goodbyes!

As we close this chapter, we have some bittersweet goodbyes. Congratulations to Bryson, Oliver, Jaxson, Chareze, Scarlet, and Anyarose as they begin their exciting new journeys!

It has been such a joy watching each of you learn, grow, laugh, and become more independent. Although we will miss your smiles, laughter, and unique personalities, we are so proud of you and excited for everything ahead! Keep shining, keep learning, and always remember that you will have a special place in our hearts.

A Warm Welcome!

We are also excited to welcome our new friends, Layla, Sophia, Logan, Cheylynn, and Evan, to our classroom family! We are so happy to have you join us and cannot wait to watch you learn, grow, make new friends, and create many wonderful memories with us!

Warmly,
Ms. Brenda & Ms. Jessica





Classroom News

PRESCHOOL PREP

Hello, Preschool Prep Families!

August was AMAZING! We said goodbye to summer and welcomed the beginning of a new school year.

We started the month with fascinating science projects. The students observed experiments such as the famous elephant toothpaste experiment and created a rainbow in water using Skittles. They were so excited to see science in action!

The following week, we dove into the world of pirates. AHOY, MATEYS! The students enjoyed learning through books, music, and crafts. Our most exciting activity was SpongeBob Water Play Day! Similar to a water balloon game, we soaked small sponges in water and tossed them at friends and teachers. Everyone had a blast cooling off in the hot August sun!

Musical Jamboree Week was another big hit! The children learned about different instruments, including the piano, trombone, maracas, and drums. They had a great time playing instruments, dancing, and singing along to their favorite songs.

During Goodbye Summer Luau Week, we made beautiful leis and enjoyed some of our final summer fun together.

We ended August by kicking off the new school year with our Back-to-School Theme! We are looking forward to introducing new topics, creating more memories, and enjoying all the fun that fall will bring.

We are so excited for fall—are you? Stay tuned for all the fun learning adventures coming in September!

Ms. Aleida



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SCHOOL AGE

Hello School Age Parents!

August was a great month of exploration! Summer Scientist promoted curiosity and hands-on learning, while Ahoy Mateys brought creative pirate adventures that ended with our annual Pirate Water Bomb Day. Can you say, “RRRRRRRRRRRRR”?

Our Goodbye Summer Luau celebrated the end of the season, and Back to School helped the children prepare for new routines and friendships.

As we welcome September, we want to send warm goodbyes to our summer children. We loved every moment with you, and you will be missed. Until next time! We’re also excited to welcome back our returning School-Age children and give a big welcome to the new children joining our classroom.

In September, our themes will focus on identity, connection, and emotional growth. All About Me will help children identify their strengths and interests. Family and Pets will encourage sharing and storytelling. Feelings and Emotions will support emotional understanding and kindness. We’ll end the month with My Five Senses, giving children opportunities to explore the world through sensory play.

Mrs. Dina, it’s time to break out the Cheerios!

Ms. Crystal, Ms. Rose, Ms. Tiffany & Mr. Ian



Classroom News

PRESCHOOL ROOM

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

We can't believe summer has come to an end! The children have had so much fun in the sun and enjoyed spending time with their friends.

Growing bigger, growing bright—off to Pre-K, where they'll surely be a delight! Addison H., Brielle A., David M., Ellie W., Noah L., Olivia C., and Skarlette M., it has been an absolute pleasure having you in our classroom. We will miss you, but we are so excited to see you continue growing and learning. We wish you the best of luck in Pre-K!

A bittersweet goodbye to our friend Thea D. We loved having you as part of our class and will miss your sweet hugs and laughter. Good luck on your next adventure!

We would also like to welcome Anyarose G., Bryson A., Chareze L., Isabella C., and Me'Shira J. to the Preschool Classroom. We can't wait to see how you flourish. Welcome to our classroom family! ♥

From Summer Scientist to Back-to-School Week, our preschoolers learned so many new things. Their eyes lit up with excitement during the elephant toothpaste experiment, and they showed their teamwork and creativity while making our classroom pirate flag.

Let's not forget the fun we had during our center-wide Pirate Water Sponge Fight! The children especially loved tossing wet sponges at their teachers and cooling off together.

We finished August by enjoying the last days of summer camp and celebrating the start of a new school year with lots of bounce house fun!

We are looking forward to a wonderful new school year. What an awesome and blessed summer we had!

- Ms. Mariane & Ms. Teresa





Classroom News

PRE-K ROOM

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

WOW, just like that, summer has come to an end! We hope everyone had a wonderful summer. For some of our families, this may be the last newsletter you receive as our Pre-K students move on to Kindergarten. As they begin this exciting new chapter, we wish Artie, Asher, Charlie, Everleigh, Gwenivere, Jacob, Jolene, Karter, Kennedy, Keyrie, Madison G., Manmeet, Mylo, Nikko, Roary, Saige, and Zaedn all the best. We love you, we will miss you, and we know your futures are bright!

A very special THANK YOU to our parents for sharing your precious children with us. This is truly a bittersweet moment for everyone.

August was filled with excitement! During Summer Scientists Week, we explored fun experiments like tornadoes in a bottle, rainbow milk, balloon experiments, and Skittles science.

During Pirate Week, we learned about pirates through books, songs, and crafts. The highlight was our center-wide wet sponge pirate fight—so much fun and so many laughs!

Our Musical Jamboree brought out some amazing little performers. We made instruments, explored music from different cultures, sang, danced, and even did some line dancing.

We ended summer with our Luau Week, making leis, learning about Hawaii, painting and bowling with coconuts, and enjoying a Luau party and bounce house. We also spent time talking about Kindergarten and cherishing our final days together.

During Back-to-School Week, we created classroom rules, learned more about each other's families, and prepared for a wonderful new school year.

We are so excited to see what September brings!

Shine bright, my friends! Remember: YOU are important, YOU are brave, YOU are kind, YOU are strong, YOU are loved, and most importantly, YOU are YOU! Be proud of yourselves—we sure are!

Ms. Lisa & Ms. Marci





Raising Kids

ACTIVE PARENTING FOR SCHOOL SUCCESS!

Helping Children Succeed in School

Preparing children for school success helps build skills they will use throughout life. Children do best when they have love, encouragement, and support from caring adults, especially their parents, who are their first and most important teachers.

Parents can support school success by:

- Getting to know their child's teacher
- Making learning a family priority
- Reading and talking together
- Creating consistent homework routines
- Limiting excessive screen time
- Supporting school expectations
- Attending conferences, events, and classroom activities when possible

Learning should also happen outside the classroom. Reading, playing educational games, visiting museums or parks, and exploring the community can help children develop curiosity and a love of learning.

School success takes time. With encouragement and guidance, children can build confidence, perseverance, problem-solving skills, and independence.

When families stay involved and make learning a priority, they give children a strong foundation for success in school and beyond.

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A Lookback at August Events



YOUR FEEDBACK

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