



# MAY 2016 NEWSLETTER

12901 Roberts Drive, Eden Prairie, MN 55346

## What's going on Around School?

- ❖ Reminder that we are **CLOSED** on May 30<sup>th</sup> for Memorial Day.
- ❖ A huge THANK YOU to all of the parents who attended Parent/Teacher conferences last month. We truly appreciate you taking the time out of your work day to come and meet with your child's teacher. We are so thankful to have good parent/teacher relationships and are happy to work together to benefit your child!
- ❖ We hope the warm weather is here to stay so please take home all winter clothing if you have not done so already. ☺
- ❖ We are offering both Soccer Shots and Amazing Athletes on a weekly basis for toddlers and preschoolers. We would be happy to give you more information about either program or feel free to check out their websites:
  - o Soccer shots: <https://www.soccershots.org/>
  - o Amazing Athletes: <http://www.amazingathletes.com/>
- ❖ Our graduation party for all of the children who are going to Kindergarten this fall will be on Thursday June 2<sup>nd</sup>. We will be sending home more information including specific details very soon. ☺
- ❖ We would like to remind all parents that your child must be under either parent or teacher supervision during drop off and pickup. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.
- ❖ Thank you to everyone who donated Kleenex boxes to the center. We try to keep all of the children happy, healthy, and clean and therefore we go through a lot of tissues this time of year so we appreciate your donation!
- ❖ Last month our public health nurse from MN Child Care Health Consultants came and talked to us all about bottles and preparation.
- ❖ Just a friendly reminder that we may not administer medication to any child under 2 (such as ibuprofen, Tylenol, etc) without a doctor's note. Feel free to have your child's doctor fax us permission if needed.
- ❖ Teddy Bear Portraits came last month for spring pictures! We sent home a folder that had a code that you can still go online and order if you would like.



Please bring in **LOTION** sunscreen for your child labeled with their first and last name. Our Nurse has advised us to only allow the lotion kind of sunscreen for the children.  
Thank you.

## DATES IN May

Mother's Day - 8<sup>th</sup>  
Tea Party with Mom - 9<sup>th</sup>  
Memorial Day - Closed - 30<sup>th</sup>

## MAY FOOD AND SNACK IDEAS



## ATTENTION ALL TL MOMS!

You are royally invited to attend our Mother's Day Tea Party on Monday May 9<sup>th</sup> from 3:15PM-4:15PM with your child. Hope you are able to attend!





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## Infant Classrooms

- \*We welcome Kylar and sister's Morgan and Emerson to our classroom!
- \*Parent/Teacher conferences were last month! We hope you enjoyed reading the evaluations we sent home and are so happy to be a part of your child's development each and every day. Also, we would like to thank the parents who attended either phone or in-person conferences. It was great getting a chance to talk with you about your child and their development. ☺
- \*We will be taking the infants on stroller walks this summer. Feel free to bring in a sun hat, sunglasses, or anything you would prefer them to wear outside.
- \*Just a reminder that we send home all artwork home at the end of each month.

## Preschool Classrooms

- \* We welcome Brynna officially to Mrs. Victoria's classroom!
- \*We are excited for our themes this month which are: mother's day, caterpillar to butterfly, flowers, bugs, and free choice!
- \* If you have not done so already, please take home all of your child's winter clothing. Fingers crossed we won't need it again!
- \*Please make sure your child has an extra set of clothing in their cubby every day - just in case.
- \*We want to thank all of the parents who came last month for conferences. It was great to have a chance to talk to you about your child's growth, education, and development. We are happy to work together for the best interest of your child!
- \*Please remember to bring in lotion sunscreen labeled with your child's first and last name! Thank you ☺
- \*We are confident May will be a terrific month!

## Toddler Classroom

- \*The children have been enjoying being able to spend more time outside now that the weather is much warmer. It's so important for them to get fresh air and release some energy. Even when we are outside we always find ways that we can still teach them. When we are outside we talk about animals, weather, where the sun or moon is, where the birds or airplanes are going, etc. There are so many things they can learn during free play outside! ☺
- \*Our 3 daily activities (beyond our theme based curriculum) are posted by the sign in/out station. Last month the children's favorites included: sensory time, balancing, and play-doh. We can't wait to see what they enjoy this month!
- \*Just a reminder to please take home your child's nap time blanket every Friday to be washed.
- \*Feel free to bring an updated family picture for the family wall! The children love looking at them throughout the day. ☺



## SUMMER FUN INFORMATION

(FOR TODDLERS & PRESCHOOLERS ONLY)

- \*Our Summer Fun Program starts NEXT month! This year is flying by quickly, isn't it?!
- \*Reminder that the fee of **\$55.00 per child** is due by Friday May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016. We look forward to a great summer!

## May Birthdays



- Cooper-10<sup>th</sup>
- Nolan-10<sup>th</sup>
- Elise-18<sup>th</sup>
- Etta-21<sup>st</sup>
- Nora-21<sup>st</sup>
- Isla-31<sup>st</sup>

## Tips for Gardening with Children

Children can greatly benefit from gardening. They can learn things such as: responsibility, patience, creativity, understanding, nutrition, and can develop a love of nature!

### Steps:

- Prepare the garden
- Decide what to grow
- Plant and tend the crops
- Observe & harvest
- Reap the rewards



Check out the website down below for more information about gardening with children!

<https://www.naeyc.org/files/tyc/file/Gardening.pdf> grow