



## April Showers Bring Mud Flowers!

With the rainy season upon us you'll find the kiddos and teachers of Parkside Playschool fully prepared! As an all-weather playschool, we play outside even in the rain! While there are circumstances around thunder where our play resumes indoors, we take full advantage of rain and all of its endless possibilities. There's too much fun to be had to let it go to waste!

The favorite part about rainy day play seems to be, of course, the mud. Muddy puddles, mud pies and more! We see so much creativity and imaginative play when our kiddos use mud to enhance their play. We've had children create river systems using a slope, mud, water and sticks. This led to conversations about real river systems: where the water goes, how dams stop the water, what animals live in and around rivers... Mud is also great for fine motor skills, and it helps strengthen the muscles children use later on when learning to write. Being able to maneuver different textures in different ways can be such a fun sensory experience!

Our kiddos wear muddy buddies to play in the rain. These are full body suits that keep their clothes dry for ample play time. Even our teachers wear adult sized ones so they can join in on the fun!

### \*Dates to Remember\*

- April 1 - Spring Picture Day
- April 9 - Kaylee's 3-Year Work-aversary
- April 12 - Early Out CLOSE at 5pm
- April 13 - Parents' Night Out 3-7pm
- April 15-18 - Parent/Teacher Conferences

### Happy Birthday!

- April 11 - Mary
- April 15 - Eustace
- April 17 - Ellison
- April 17 - Miss Chloe
- April 23 - William
- April 24 - Remington