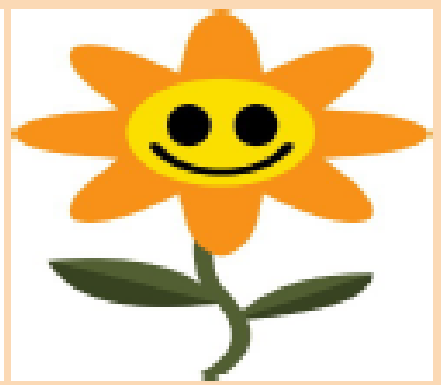


TORBANK NURSERY SCHOOL APRIL 2018 NEWSLETTER



Summer Programs

Applications are out for the summer camp program and if you have not done so already, please fill out the application and return it to Gayle. The camp fees are not due until June 1st, but the application will help Gayle plan for staff for the summer.



Election Slate

Please consider being on the Board for the coming year. If you think you would like to help, please see Gayle and she can give you a clearer picture about what your commitment will mean. Remember that Torbank needs the support of parents to continue to be a great place for our children.



This is Your School!

Please be reminded the final maintenance day is May 5th. If you have not already completed your maintenance commitment for the school year, please contact Nemias Delahaye to sign up. Your participation is needed to make it run well. If you want to help and get involved, please see your class parent, child's teacher, or Gayle Aprile. The kids love having Mom or Dad in the classroom for the day. If you can, please join us for the monthly Board meeting.

Mom's Night Out—Friday, April 20th

Join us for a fun filled evening of food, drinks, music, girl chat, and of course a silent auction of great items and gifts donated by our community businesses and others with generous hearts! Tickets are \$25.

Please note the new date — FRIDAY, APRIL 20th. We are sorry for any confusion or inconvenience this change may cause.

Thank you to everyone that is actively soliciting for donations for this amazing night. Please continue to update Lisa Sokolowski with donation requests. Gayle is accepting received donations and other items (baskets, bows, unopened or unused items) in her office.



Teacher Talk



Spring has finally arrived, and our projects will remind us of the first signs... crocus, daffodils, and forsythias. April showers will probably give us the opportunity to see a beautiful rainbow, and if we don't, we will make our own. We will continue to work on the basics, such as colors and shapes to reinforce their understanding. We will also continue learning letters and numbers.

As the weather has improved, we have returned to our outdoor activities, so please be sure your child has appropriate clothing for the day's temperature.

Parent/Teacher conferences are scheduled for Tuesday, May 15th and Wednesday, May 16th (Please note these dates are different from the school calendar). A sign-up sheet will be posted in early May.

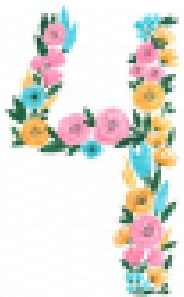
- Miss Suzanne, Miss Ally, and Miss Cheryl



In Like a Lion... hopefully out like a lamb. What a ferocious March it has been! The winter blues have not brought us down, however. Here in the 3's, we have created a classroom filled with color and vibrancy. The students have worked hard on colorful projects such as our rainbow mural and macaroni rainbow, in hopes that spring is on its way! We read books and talked about the changes that Spring brings. We will discuss the changes for animals and plants outside as the weather gets warmer. Saint Patrick's Day was a hit in our classroom. We enjoyed creating our own shamrocks and learning about St Paddy's traditions. A sneaky little leprechaun even visited our classroom, leaving a small treasure for the children!

Dessert Night was a huge success, and your little ones enjoyed showing their mommies and daddies their classroom & routines and engaging in creative activities. We are doing a great job playing together and sharing toys and kindness. Thank you for your continued support!

- Miss Leanne, Miss Daria, & Miss Meredith



Spring is here and it is such an exciting time of year. With April we'll have warm sunny days as well as cold rainy ones, it is an exciting time to be the "weather person" at circle each morning.

April is poetry month, we will focus on poetry in its different forms. We will be reading books and poems about the changing weather and how that makes us feel. Now that the days will be warmer we will make rainbow wind socks and fly them out in the playground, as we run and enjoy the Spring.

This month we are also learning about Oviparous animals, those that hatch from eggs. This includes Birds, Amphibians, Reptiles, Insects, Fish and Mollusks. We will read and discuss all about these animals, as we will be preparing for our big event, The HATCHING CHICKS.

Our chick eggs arrive in mid April. We will keep them in an incubator in the classroom. As the days pass, we will monitor what is happening inside the eggs as we learn the stages of development that the chick goes through. It is always exciting to be a part of the process from eggs to chick. And... such a thrill to watch the chicks hatch from their eggs in early May! The children will get to spend time observing the chicks as they grow quickly, before they go off to the farm.

Our discussions of the Oviparous animals will lead the children to each choose one of the animals that they are particularly interested in and together we plan on creating that animal with paper mache'.

The children are mastering writing their names as they sign in each morning. They now recognize their names and are beginning to recognize each others names. We will continue to focus on certain letters each week and will incorporate the letter/sound into our daily activities.

- Kris Adams and Mary Haag