

# March 2019 News

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## Spring is Coming!!

Signs of the new season should hopefully be popping up soon! Look for peeking daffodils and tender buds. Listen for robins singing in the trees. Feel for the warm sunlight coming through your windows. Celebrate the start of Spring!

## Thank You

Thank you to all who contributed to the classroom Valentine Parties. The children enjoyed the treats and were super-excited to hand out their valentines!

## Breakfast With Buddies



Step 2 and Pre-K classes, and their special adults, are invited to participate in our exciting program, "Breakfast With Buddies". Green information forms have already gone out--please return to teachers promptly. Children and adults will enjoy some treats and reading time; a short but sweet classroom presentation will follow. Adults should park in the lot, walk up the driveway, and escort children in through the arrival door. Try to arrive as close to 9:00 as possible, as this is a shorter event. We look forward to a great morning together! Adults--feel free to bring your lidded warm beverage! We'll have plenty of donuts and finger foods. Please note that this program can only accommodate one adult per child; siblings cannot be accommodated. (Mother's Day, just for moms, is around the corner, so you may want to use this program as an opportunity for another adult to attend.)

## Stranger Danger

Learning about "Stranger Danger" and personal safety will be covered in all classrooms during the month of March. Videos, coloring pages, stories, and age-appropriate class discussions will be utilized by our teachers to cover this topic. The date for this lesson will be noted on each teacher's classroom calendar so that you can follow up at home with your child.



## The Wearing of the Green

Everyone is Irish on St. Patrick's Day! Please dress your children in their lucky green for some Leprechaun Fun! Check classroom calendars for your class's date.

## Spring Parent-Teacher Conferences...

The majority of Spring Conferences will be held Thursday, April 18. There is no school this day to allow for this special informative time with our parents.



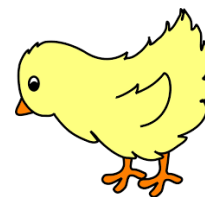
**All parents will be receiving an email with a link to SignUp Genius. Please sign up online for a conference time.** Once you sign up, be sure to mark your personal calendars with your conference time. Be on the lookout for the emailed invitation! We highly recommend scheduling a conference, especially if you missed conferences back in the Fall.

## May 2020 Tuition Deposits

... are respectfully due by **March 1st**. Reminders have been sent home previously, noting amounts due. Failure to submit this deposit on time may result in the forfeiture of your child's seat. Please make me aware of any special circumstances.

## Attention--Live Chicks Available and Looking for a Home

Every year, BBLC hatches chicks from eggs in the spring. This year, the chicks should be ready to leave us by mid-April. If you, or anyone you know, would be interested in taking all twelve of them, please contact me. It is imperative that I find a home for the little guys...They really are very cute! And not much trouble...



## Donation Item of the Month--Suspended

Congratulations to Scarlett R., the lucky winner of our February drawing! There is no Item of the Month in March; we kindly ask for help with our "Safe Stuff" collection instead. Please see below.



## Safe Stuff Collection

Our final community outreach event of the school year is our "SAFE STUFF" collection which will take place March 1 through March 21. We are collecting much-needed items for A Woman's Place, a local agency which supports victims of domestic violence and their children. This is NOT a typical food drive; their needs are very specific:

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| -peanut butter   | -jelly              | -boxed cereal         |
| -tomato products | -canned fruit       | -boxed mac and cheese |
| -baby wipes      | -disinfectant wipes | -paper towels         |
| -toilet paper    |                     |                       |

Please consider donating an item or two from the list, and look for bright purple info sheets to come home in folders. What an excellent opportunity to teach our children about kindness, giving back, and support for others!

## Calling all Campers!...Summer Fun Camp is Coming!

We start enrollment in our very popular Summer Fun Camp program in late March. We will offer two weeks of camp, June 4-5-6 and June 11-12-13. The time would be from 9 am to 12 pm, with an optional "magical" add-on scheduled for the last day. Children can register for one or both weeks. Our fun-filled theme this year is "Let's Pretend...". Each camp day, we'll use our imaginations to transport us to an exciting place or a fabulous activity! Look for hot pink brochures to come home in folders. Seats are limited and are filled on a first-come

basis. (Only independently potty-trained students can attend camp.) Camp is always a ton of wacky fun and spots usually fill quickly!

## Vision Screening

Our annual Vision Screening is scheduled for early April. An info sheet will go home shortly stating the actual date your child's class will be screened. This is a service provided by the Bucks County Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired. Using this service for your child is voluntary, but highly recommended. Every year, irregularities are detected when none were suspected. Parents are required to sign the consent form before the screening can take place. The cost of this worthwhile service is simply a donation. Again, this service is purely optional.



## TAX INFORMATION

Again, our tax id number is **23-2435162**. If you need 2018 tuition information, please consult your tuition envelope from last school year. It notes your check numbers and amounts paid from January through May 2018 (the envelope was marked with an orange or red label saying "KEEP THIS ENVELOPE"); this year's envelope lists information for September through December 2018. **Please use those resources to calculate tuition totals.** If you are still stuck, here's a shortcut--take last school year's monthly tuition amount and multiply by 5 (Jan-May). Then, take this year's monthly tuition amount and multiply by 4 (Sept-Dec). Add the two amounts together to find the total tuition paid for 2018.

## Reminders:



- Birthday treats decorated with colored (pastel or vibrant) frosting cannot be served. See image. (Chocolate and vanilla icing are fine.)
- Well-fitting sneakers or shoes are the **ONLY** choices for active school days. Pull-on boots (rubber or fabric) are clunky, uncomfortable to sit criss-cross in, and simply unsafe for running. If the weather warrants boots, please pack sneakers to change into once at school.
- Don't forget to name-label any new spring coats or jackets.

## Important Dates

March 1 through 21--Safe Stuff Collection

March 2 -- Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss!

March 6, 13, 20, 27--Fun Frolics--Dance for those pre-reg; no walk-in Lunch Bunch

March 6, 7, or 8 -- Breakfast with Buddies (check classroom calendars)

March 8--Groovy Guests; Seuss is Loose; no walk-in Lunch Bunch

March 11 or 15--Step 2 classes to ACME (check classroom calendar for your date)

March 12 -- Scholastic orders due

March 13-14-15-- St. Patrick's Day Fun (check classroom calendars)

March 18--Mindful Monday for those pre-reg

March 20--Spring Begins!

