# March 2021 News

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#### 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 12. We are collecting much-needed items for A Woman's Place, a local agency which supports victims of domestic violence and their children. Here is a specific list of desired items:



-paper towels -toilet paper -disinfectant spray or wipes -bleach -bathroom cleaner -hand sanitizer -dish soap -laundry pods -large trash bags

-full size lotion -full size body wash -diapers (Size 5&6 ONLY)

-full size hair conditioner (no shampoo) -full size hair products (gel/mousse/spray)

Please consider donating an item or two from the list, and refer to the yellow info sheets which came home in folders. Any assistance you could provide would be most appreciated. What an excellent opportunity to teach our children about kindness, giving back, and support for others!

## Wacky Winter Weather...mark your calendars

What a wintry February we've had! It is not the normal policy for BBLC to make up any lost school time due to inclement weather, but I think we can all agree that this winter has been a little extraordinary! As such, BBLC will be making a few changes to our April schedule in order to give our students some increased school time. Please mark your calendars now, so that you can plan ...

\*Kindergarten--W 3/31 will change to a **FULL DAY** and Th 4/1 will be added as a **HALF DAY** 

\*5-Day PreK will be dismissed at 12:45 each day from M-F, 4/12 to 4/16

\*3-Day AM PreK will be dismissed at 12:45 M 4/12, W 4/14, and F 4/16

\*3-Day PM PreK will have some class time (12:30 to 3:00) on T 4/20

\*Step 2 will be dismissed at 12:30 M 4/12, W 4/14, and F 4/16

\*Step 1 will be dismissed at 12:15 on T 4/13 and Th 4/15

# 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 to celebrate. Those pesky little leprechauns may even pay us a visit... (If you volunteered to send in a lucky treat, reminders have gone home!)



Thank You...and Donation-Item-of-the-Month Suspended

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! Our March Donation Item Collection will be suspended in favor of our Safe Stuff Collection above. Congratulations to Lily in the PM PreK class, as she is the lucky winner of our February Drawing!

## Stranger Danger

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

## May 2022 Tuition Deposits

... are due by **March 1st**. Electronic invoices and reminders have previously been sent; please pay online. Failure to submit this deposit on time may result in the forfeiture of your child's seat. Kindly make me aware of any special circumstances.

# Spring Parent-Teacher Conferences...by phone



Spring Phone Conferences will be held the afternoon of Wednesday, March 31 and during the day on Thursday, April 1. **All families will be receiving an email with a link to SignUp Genius. Please sign up online for a phone 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; I will be sending them out shortly. Remember to include your preferred phone number and be available to answer the scheduled call. Again, our teachers will be using their personal phones for these conferences. We respectfully ask

that you refrain from using their personal phone numbers for any school business.

#### **School Pictures**

Our school photographer will be at BBLC on March 9&10. Please be sure to send in picture orders with payment by **March 5** if you would like to purchase school portraits. Envelopes and info sheets were already sent home. Say "Cheese!"

#### Tax Info

Our tax ID number is **23-2435162**. If you need 2020 tuition information, please consult your tuition envelope from last school year, or your electronic invoices from this school year. To compute total amount of 2020 tuition paid, multiply this year's monthly payment by 4 and add to 2.5 times last school year's monthly payment, if your child was in school. If you have tax documents for me to sign, please have all computations completed before submitting. If you are simply stuck, feel free to give me a call in the office.

### **Important Dates**

March 1--March tuition invoices arrive; May 2022 deposits due

March 1 through 12--Safe Stuff Collection

March 2 -- Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss!

March 5--Picture envelopes due; BBLC is OPEN, even though CB is closed

March 8--March tuition due

March 9/10--School Pictures taken (consult classroom calendars)

March 12 -- Scholastic orders due

March 16/17-- St. Patrick's Day Fun (check classroom calendars--wear your green!)

March 29--Progress Reports for PreK/K come home

March 31--now a FULL DAY for Kindergarten; PM Phone Conferences

April 1--No Preschool classes; Phone Conferences; Kindg HALF DAY (12:00) w/bus both ways

April 2-5--No school--Spring Break

April 6--School resumes

June 3--Last day of "Regular School" for Step One classes

June 7--Last day of "Regular School" for all other classes

June 9&10--BBLC will be offering a "Mini-Camp" program. More info to come!

