May 2023 Newsletter

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End-of-Year Housekeeping...

Just a reminder that the last day of regular school for M/W/F classes will be Wednesday, May 24. All other preschool classes will have their last regular day on Thursday, May 25. Last days will be celebrated with a special ice cream snack! Kindergarten will have their last day (half day) on Wednesday, May 31. For those registered, Summer Fun Camp "Holiday Hodgepodge" will take place June 6-9. Camp assignments will come home toward the end of the month.

Mother's Day...

We honor and celebrate Moms and mother figures everywhere! Our students are busy preparing goodies of all kinds for our wonderful mommies. Be on the lookout for some Mother's Day love to come home soon!



End of Year Activities...

Family park outings are planned for all classes. Parents, siblings, and caregivers are welcome! Step 1 classes will have fun at Bush Park on Tuesday, 5/23. All other classes will head to Warwick Community Park on Monday, 5/22. Preschool students will be presented with their completion certificates. **BLUE** info sheets will come home soon--please read thoroughly for all the details. Please be sure to note the alternate plans if inclement weather ruins our Park Days!

Our Kindergarten class will also have their Moving On Celebration at 1:30 on Tuesday, May 30 in our gymnasium. Families are invited to attend.



Lunch/Lunch Bunch

As the weeks (hopefully) get warmer, please be sure to pop an ice pack inside of lunch boxes to keep items fresh. No one likes a soupy cheese stick. The last day for

Preschool LB will be Thursday, May 18. Unused punches on punch cards <u>DO</u> carry over to next school year and <u>ARE</u> transferable to siblings or friends!

Donation Item of the Month--3 oz PLASTIC cups (not paper)

Many thanks to all who sent in napkins during the month of April! Congratulations to Vinny in PreK, as he is the lucky April winner! For May's donation item, we will be collecting 3 ounce plastic (not paper) cups. The cups usually come in clear or white plastic and are bathroom-sized. (We prefer plastic, as paper cups are not sturdy enough for little grips.) Sincere gratitude for all the generosity you have shows us throughout the school year! All of your donations help us immensely!



Footwear and Rompers...



Busy school days call for socks and sneakers. Playground mulch does not go well with flip flops, sandals, or crocs.

We need to <u>discourage the wearing of one-piece rompers</u> at school--the type with the top and the pants attached as one garment. These rompers (and overalls) make using the bathroom very difficult; children need to basically disrobe. Please save those fun outfits for home.

For those Moving On...

For those students and families who may be leaving us--thank you for sharing your children with us! We've LOVED working with you and know that you will go on to do GREAT things, IMPORTANT things! Wishing you a happy elementary school career! Be safe and be well (and send us a holiday card in December)!

End-of-Year/Over the Summer...

- I will not have daily office hours during the summer, but if you'd like to meet with me, I'm happy to arrange an appointment. You can always reach me by email or feel free to leave a voicemail on the school land line. I'll check messages frequently. I'll also gather school mail regularly, in case you'd like to send anything through the USPS.
- Tuition envelopes will be sent home. Please save them carefully for the 2023 tax season!
- For those planning on purchasing new school stuff--backpacks must be large enough to hold folders, extra clothes, lunch boxes, show-n-tell items, etc. And, lunch boxes with an outer pocket (to hold the lunch card) work great for us!

Next School Year...

- If your child is registered for BBLC next year, you will be receiving a message the first week of August, outlining particulars for class assignment, Playground Day, and classroom orientation. Please be on the lookout. If your plans have changed, and you need to withdraw your child during the summer, I will be upholding our tuition policy. Withdrawals must be made in writing by June 30, 2023 to receive your May tuition deposit back. After that date, your deposit will be forfeited. No exceptions of any kind.
- Playground Days will be scheduled at the end of August and preschool classroom orientations will be held Thurs/Fri September 7/8. Kindergarten orientation will be held Tues, August 29.
- Please be reminded that if your child is enrolled in Step 2 (or older) for the Fall, he/she must be INDEPENDENTLY potty trained. This includes managing clothing and wiping. Take the summer to practice!

Dates to Remember

May 2--5 Day PreK classes to Solly's Farm

May 5--Yay for Yoga

May 18--Last Day for Regular Walk-in Lunch Bunch

May 19--Groovy Guest

May 22-- Step 2, PreK, Kindg classes to Warwick Community Park

May 23--Step One classes to Bush Park

May 26 and 29 -- Memorial Day Weekend; no school

May 30-- K Moving On Ceremony at 1:30

May 31--Kindg Half Day (noon dismissal w/buses both ways; no lunch)

June 6-9--Summer Fun Camp

