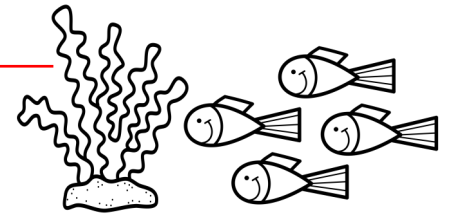


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## Best Beginnings Preschool Family Newsletter May 2022



May is our last full month of school for the year. It's hard to believe that the school year is almost over. I want to thank all of you for your support and understanding this year. This year has definitely been challenging and eye opening to say the least. I am thankful we were able to keep our doors open and make our way through the ups and downs of the pandemic.

With only 6 weeks of school left in our year we are going to continue to be cautious and wear masks through the end of the school year. The King County COVID 19 resource for schools and childcare states *As of March 12, 2022, masks are no longer required universally in schools or child care. However, schools/school districts and child care facilities may choose to require children/students, teachers, and visitors to wear masks even though the mask mandate ended* (<https://kingcounty.gov/depts/health/covid-19/schools-childcare>).

The community level for COVID at the time this newsletter is distributed is at medium. Since the mask mandate has lifted we continue to see absences due to symptoms of COVID, colds, and the flu. While this is to be expected, requiring staff and students to wear a mask while at school helps keep these symptoms from spreading around the classroom. Keeping students healthy is a priority because it also helps keep staff healthy. If staff members become ill we won't have the coverage needed to run a classroom.

We thank you for your continued support.

There are many fun things happening around school. We have caterpillars that have recently entered the pupa/chrysalis stage of life. Hopefully they will emerge soon as beautiful butterflies. Theme happening in various classes this month include farm animals, ocean animals, transportation, zoo animals and jungle animals. Our PreK and TK classes will head to the beach in Edmonds to hunt for moon snails, sea stars and many other sea life creatures. Please check your students class calendar for more details about the beach field trip. *Happy May! ~ Kerry*



### May Tuition

All tuition is due by Monday, May 9th. This is the last tuition payment for the school year. Please help us out and make your payment on time.



### Graduation

Graduation for our PreK and TK classes will take place June 15. Please check your child's individual class calendar for specific information. Formal invitations will be sent home a couple weeks prior. On Graduation Day, children come to school for graduation only.

### Last Scholastic Book Order

We will have one last book order for the school year. To ensure books arrive before the last class day the order will be due on May 19th at 2pm. Flyers are attached to this newsletter.

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## Upcoming Dates

- **5/16 PreK Beach Field Trip**  
*(check class calendar for time)*  
**Francy & Siobhan**  
**Marjorie & Andrea**
- **5/17 PreK Beach Field Trip**  
*(check class calendar for time)*  
**Stephanie & Sarah**  
**Karen & Magda**
- **5/30 Memorial Day (no school)**
- **6/13 Last class day for**  
MW 3's  
MWF PreK
- **6/14 Last class day for**  
TTHF 3's  
TTH PM 3's  
TTHF PreK  
TK
- **6/15 Graduation Day (PreK & TK classes)**  
9am MWF Teacher Francy & Teacher Siobhan  
10am TTHF Teacher Stephanie & Teacher Sara  
11am TTHF Teacher Karen & Teacher Magda  
12pm TK Teacher Marjorie & Teacher Andrea

### All School Picnic

12:30-2pm

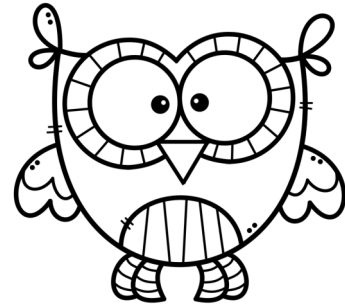
Best Beginnings Preschool outdoor areas

## Substitute/Teaching Possibilities

Do you have a background in education or a degree in a related field? Are you looking to reenter the work force on a part-time basis? Do you enjoy spending time with preschool aged children? We are looking to add to our sub list. If you are interested in subbing or someday even teaching, please contact Kerry for more information.

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# THE WRITE STUFF

Did you know that learning how to write is much more than writing the letters? You can do these things with your child at home to develop good writing habits.

## MOTIVATION TO WRITE

Children love to do what they see their parents doing. If you write in front of your child and talk about **what** you're writing *and why*, your child will be more motivated to write too! Ask your child to help you think of what words to use when you're writing anything, such as a shopping list, a birthday card, or even an e-mail.



## DISPLAY WRITING

One of the first steps in the writing process is scribbling. While it may not look pretty to us as adults, it is **very** important to the child. Display your child's writing in a special place in your home to show your child that you value writing and recognize their attempts as important. Some

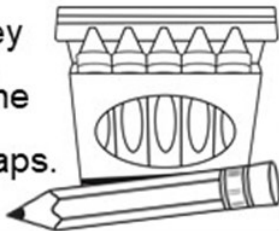
Ideas for display are:

- ✓ Refrigerator
- ✓ Cork board
- ✓ Mirror



## THE "WRITE" TOOLS

When children have access to writing supplies, they will be more likely to become interested in writing. Place writing supplies like blank paper, notepads, crayons, and pencils in baskets or containers around your home. Introduce the writing supplies to your child and explain that they are to be used **only** on the paper to avoid any mishaps.



## GROCERY LIST

Use the writing supplies to create a grocery list. Ask your child to tell you what items are needed from the grocery store and write them on the list. If your child shows interest, invite him to "write" the names of the items on the paper. Then, take the list to the store and invite your child to help you read and shop!

