

Good Samaritan Preschool May News 2021



We want to take a moment to wish all our wonderful Moms a Happy Mother's Day!

Teacher Appreciation Week

Next week is Teacher Appreciation week (May 3rd-7th). We are so excited to celebrate our wonderful staff. Thank you to the families who have signed up for a meal or a treat. All meals are covered! I will send out individual reminders to families that have signed up. We are so very grateful 😊.

Summertime Events

It's hard to believe summer is approaching! We are planning safe, fun outdoor activities. The calendar will be available June 1st.

Allergies Vs Colds

"I think it's allergies, or is it a cold?" That is the question of the month. Please, please if you are unsure if it's allergies or a cold, stay home or contact your doctor. We appreciate everyone's diligence at this time. Also, masks should always be in your child's bag or cubby for

those just-in-case moments. Thank you.

Traveling And What The CDC

Says CDC guidance changes as COVID case numbers, hospitalizations and vaccinations go up or down. Before traveling, it is always a good idea to refer to this link:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/travel-during-covid19.html>

At this time, the CDC recommends delaying travel until you are fully vaccinated, because travel increases your chance of getting and spreading COVID-19. We realize the importance of seeing family and feeling normal again. But, as we all know, there is no vaccine for young children yet. We are a preschool community, so please remember this when planning your trips. Stay safe, wears masks, social distance, stay in your bubble. If you feel you or your child has been exposed, get tested and quarantine. Thank you and remember, were you go, we all go.

School Pictures

School Picture Days are May 18th and 19th. This includes individual, sibling, and class pictures. Pictures will be taken outside. Order forms are on their way.

Graduation For Grads Only

For those families that will be moving on to Kinder or TK, we will be having a small Graduation ceremony in June 4th at 10am for the Hedgies and one on June 11th at 10am for the Bumblebees. This will take place outside. Please save the date.

Dates to Remember

May 18-19 - School pictures

May 31st Memorial Day - school closed.

June 4th Graduation for Hedgies
10am

June 7th Summer session starts

June 11th Graduation for
Bumblebees 10am

Teddy News

The month of May we will celebrate our wonderful Mothers. We will read books and learn a song for our Mommy. It's called "Mommy Loves Me", and it's sung to the tune of Clementine.

Our felt story for the month will be *Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed*.

We expect the month of May to be warm and lovely! Our class will have many activities outside such as sand play, chalk, soil and water, and so much more.

Also please remember that art is offered every day and encouraged.

Flower News

Hello Flower Room Parents!

April was an exciting month filled with many fun activities. We learned about bugs, insects, & April showers, which bring May flowers. We did lots of Easter and Earth Day art as well as open-ended art. The Easter egg hunt was a success, and the kids had so much fun. Thanks to the parents who brought yummy desserts and goodies. We really appreciated it.

In May, we will finish our unit on growing, and enhance our memory and recall skills by revisiting much of what we have learned and done this school year. In addition, we will touch on the following themes: "Cinco De Mayo, Mother's Day, Old McDonald and Outer Space".

We want to take this time and wish all our mommies a Happy Mother's Day.

Ms. Lyn and Ms. Grace

Rainbow News

Hello Rainbow room families. April was a fun and very fast month. We welcomed a new friend, Anri 😊. In April we learned about farm animals, jungle animals, bugs and insects too.

In May we will continue learning letters in many fun ways. We are working on recognizing names and a few words by sight. The children are doing amazingly well with their verbal counting as well as their rote counting. Our class makes learning fun! Of course, we engage in many fun, play-based activities. Let's celebrate being a kid as long as we can! Please remember to label all your children's belongings and make sure we have extra clothes for those hot days.

Happy Mother's Day to all our beautiful Moms.

Ms. Dee

Alpaca News

I can't believe that we have come to the end of April!! We

enjoyed our maiden voyage into space. We learned about the planets, stars, moons, asteroids, comets, black holes and the awesome rockets that allow us to travel these uncharted territories. We were fortunate to have the much awaited 'Perseverance' land around the time we were learning about Mars. We also studied the meteors, and then had the meteor showers on the 21st of April:) Everyone found a new association to the word 'Unicorn' as the black hole closest to the earth is called 'The Unicorn'. We enjoyed watching and acting like the astronauts that float around in the rockets. We each made ourselves a moon that we could hang up in our rooms. Overall, it was a super fun expedition this month!!

This teaching year has been singularly the most rewarding experience of my life. I enjoyed my time with the kids and my lovely parents. Even after a hard day's work my parents would always come in smiling, greet me and chit chat ever so happily. For that I'm very grateful. I enjoyed all of the baked goodies and chocolates from you:) Thank you very, very much for your

generous gifts! To say that I was blown away by your generosity would be an understatement. I'm so grateful for all the kindness you have showered on me. I can never forget your babies. I have made awesome memories with them and will cherish them in my heart. Would love for you to stay in touch. Thank you,
Ms. Sneha

Bumblebee News

Only one more month of learning until summer! This month we are going to be learning about Pond Life and Dinosaurs. We will discuss the kinds of creatures that live in and around the pond: reptiles, amphibians, birds, mammals, fish, etc. We will take a closer look at frogs and their life cycle. Then we will study dinosaurs! Although we have studied dinosaurs once before, it is continuously requested so we've brought it back! This time we are going to focus on kinds that we haven't studied yet such as Pteranodon and Ankylosaurus. We continue to review letter sounds, and sounding out 3 letter words. We are also focusing on identifying shapes such as

trapezoid, hexagon, pentagon, heptagon and octagon. Looking forward to this coming month with these avid learners!

Reminder: we are closed May 31 for Memorial Day.

Ms. Lydia

Hedgie News

Hello Hedgie family! Another month has gone by and now we are in May! The Hedgies have come a long way and have learned so much this year! We learned many interesting facts about dinosaurs and fossils in April! This month we will be learning about worms, snails, and slugs. We will learn about their features, where they live, and their life cycle. We will also continue practicing our addition/subtraction and sight words.

Ms. Vanessa

Turtle Room

Happy Spring Turtle room parents. We are nearing the finish line! Just a few short weeks left in the school year, and what a year it has been! April was a little different with some of our students going back to in-person learning, part time. But everyone seems to be

adjusting well to their new schedules.

Unfortunately, Ms. Maria will be leaving our classroom.

Tuesday April 27th will be her last day with us in the Turtle Room. But don't worry, she'll be our new neighbor across the hall in the Alpaca room. She will also be joining us on a few of our field trips over the summer.

Over the month of May, we will maintain our class schedules and start preparing to relocate back to our normal classroom for the summer. I have a lot of fun outdoor activities planned for summer, and I am trying to work on the dates and times for those activities. If you know your child will be missing any dates during the summer, please let me know so I can try to schedule our larger outings around schedules.

More summer plans to come soon!

Ms. Sarah and Ms. Maria