



Newsletter

March 2023

After all of this winter rain we are looking forward to some beautiful spring flowers! The days are getting a little longer, and we see buds on the trees. March seems to bring with it welcome changes.

Community Helpers

Our theme this month is Community Helpers. We would love to have parents who help in the community (e.g. firefighter, police officer, teacher, librarian, doctor, nurse, etc.) come in to talk to the children about what you do! Please talk with Ms. Maria or Ms. Grace if you would like to volunteer.

Summer and Fall Enrollment

Our summer program enrollment is complete. Please look for the statements in your folders. If there is an error, or if you haven't gotten a statement and had expected one, please let us know immediately. Tuition for our summer program is due on May 15 and will be billed in Brightwheel. Our summer classrooms are nearly full!

Re-enrollment forms for the 2023-2024 school year are due Friday, March 3. We still have a few spots available and would love to talk with your friends and neighbors so please remember we have a Referral Bonus program if you do tell someone about us and they enroll. Thank you to our families for all your confidence in us!

Conferences and Teacher Workdays

We are well into our second assessment period, with assessments being released to parents on March 24. We will have Parent Teacher Conferences for Rooms 3 & 4. These conferences will be virtual or in person, and a signup genius link will be sent out in early March. For Rooms 1 & 2, we will send home the assessments on March 24. If you wish to have a conference, please request it and we will set something up! Classrooms 3 & 4 will be closed on March 24 for Parent Teacher Conferences. There will be no other closure for Spring Break. Please note the school will be closed for Teacher Workdays on March 17.

COVID Updates

We no longer have access to free COVID test kits in bulk to distribute to our families. Masks are not currently required per state and county guidelines. Masking is optional. We are allowing each family to decide for themselves when to wear a face covering based on their own risk for severe illness.

Emergency Drills

On February 23rd we practiced a fire drill, and on February 28th we had an earthquake drill so that the children continue to understand proper emergency procedures. These drills are required by the state as part of the emergency preparedness program.

DRDP (Desired Results Developmental Profile)

The teachers will be attending a virtual DRDP training on March 17. The DRDP is an assessment instrument designed for teachers to observe, document, and reflect on the learning, development, and progress of children, birth through 12 years of age, who are enrolled in early care and education. Furthermore, this training will equip the teachers to use the tool in the upcoming school year so that they can create and coordinate a system that will ensure that each child is supported in their development and is well prepared for school success.

Welcome Ms. Hyatt

We are excited to welcome Ms. Hyatt as a teacher in Room 1. She was born in the United States but raised in Jordan. She has a BA in English Literature and a Teacher Assistant permit from the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing. Ms. Hyatt is happy and excited to teach and learn with your children.

Baby News

Congratulations to big sister Kinsley and the Tafelski family on the birth of baby Remi!

A Big Thank You To:

- Our families for celebrating the February staff birthdays!
- Wasib Muhammad for coordinating the parent coffee
- Pastor Todd for reading to us
- The Douthit family for bringing donuts for the staff

Important Dates:

March 2 - Read Across America - PAJAMA DAY!

March 3 - Re-enrollment forms due for the 2023-2024 school year

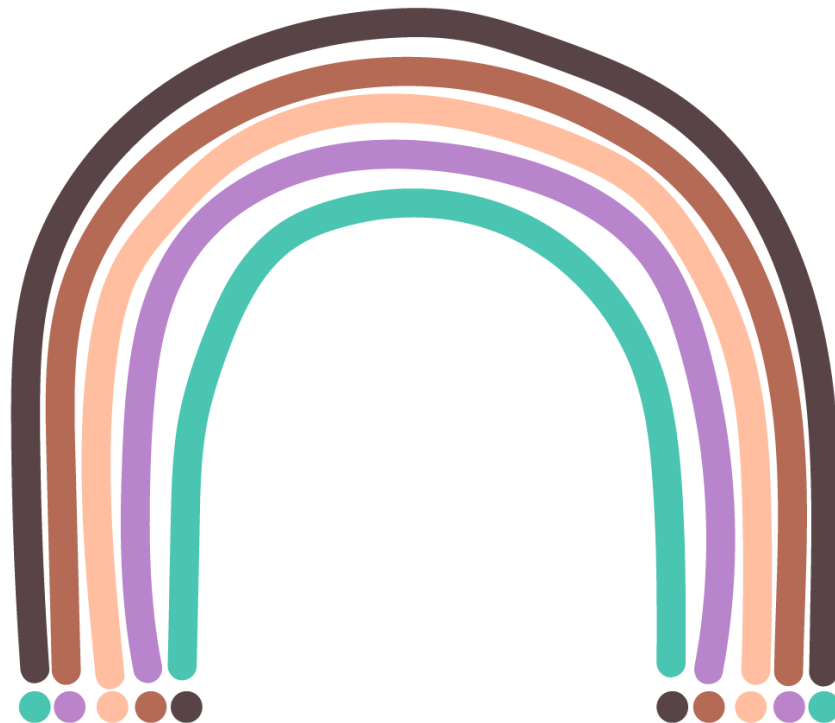
March 16 - St. Patrick's Day (one day early) - WEAR GREEN!

March 17 - Teacher Work Day - Dayspring Closed

March 24 - Conferences for Rooms 3 & 4 - Classrooms 3 & 4 Closed

Concepts of the Week

Week of February 27	Gg, 7, Pajama Day, Women's History Month
Week of March 6	Review Ww/Yy/Gg, 8, Community Helpers
Week of March 13	Bb, St. Patrick's Day
Week of March 20	Vv, Nowruz
Week of March 27	Kk





Snack Menu March 2023

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday 1	Thursday 2	Friday 3
			Waffles Applesauce	Pita Bread Hummus	Trail Mix Fruit Salad
Week 2	6	7	8	9	10
	Chex Raisins Milk	Vanilla Wafers Cucumbers	Tortilla Chips Nacho Cheese	Toast Fruit Spread	Frosted Mini Wheats Milk
Week 3	13	14	15	16	17
	Fruit Bars Celery	Apple Wedges Milk	Oranges Ritz Crackers	Wheat Thins String Cheese	Trail Mix Fruit Salad
Week 4	20	21	22	23	24
	Vanilla Wafers Yogurt	Wheat Thins Broccoli	Granola Bar Milk	Ritz Crackers Oranges	Trail Mix Fruit Salad
Week 5	27	28	29	30	31
	Mini Bagels Cream Cheese	Graham Crackers String Cheese	Cheerios Bananas Milk	Carrots Wheat Thins	Trail Mix Fruit Salad

We serve fresh fruits and vegetables whenever possible.
Substitutions may occur based on availability.
We serve milk for lunch and water for AM & PM snacks.
Children bring their own lunches from home.