



## Newsletter

April 2024

Hello spring! Warm weather is quickly approaching, and we are excited to get outside and do some fun outdoor activities with your children. We have spent so much time indoors and will be excited to spend time outside enjoying the weather and the many things we can observe in the spring! The children will continue to strengthen growing muscles when they are climbing, running, playing ball and jumping. During the month of April the children will be learning about flowers, plants, trees, the earth, and birds. These learning experiences will allow each child to expand their math, science, language and communication skills.



### Summer Program Billing

You will notice a few changes to your bill that gets sent out on April 30. If you have chosen to apply your deposit to your May bill, you will see that credit on your May tuition bill, which is due on May 7 as usual. You will also see a charge for the summer programs for which you have signed up. The **summer program tuition is due in full by May 15**. Please be aware, if you have autopay enabled in Brightwheel, the summer tuition amount will be automatically deducted on May 15.

### Fall Enrollment

For those coming back next year, enrollment statements will be in your folders soon. **We still have a few spots available for the 2024-2025 school year** and would love to talk with your friends and neighbors so feel free to spread the word. Remember we have a referral bonus program if you do tell someone about us and they enroll. **We are still enrolling for our Spanish Immersion Classroom, but it's filling up fast.**

## 2024-2025 School Year

The 2024-2025 school year will look slightly different. There will be changes in teachers in the classrooms as well as the age groups in the classrooms. We will continue to operate all four classrooms; one toddler classroom (2 yrs. to 3 yrs. old) two mixed-age preschool classrooms (3 yrs. to 5yrs. old) and our new mixed-age Spanish Immersion classroom (3 yrs. to 5 yrs. old). Mixed-age classrooms will offer amazing benefits to children such as learning from each other, leadership skills, developing self-esteem, improving social-emotional skills, developing self-concept, empathy, language, literacy, and cognitive skills. In this new model, the teachers will break the classroom into two groups, and each teacher will guide/teach that group during structured times and activities so that they can move along to the next stage of learning and development. We will continue to provide a span of materials and activities to promote their learning and development as an individual and as a group. If you have any questions, please talk to Ms. Maria.

## Health & Safety

We would like to remind all our families that if your child experiences any communicable disease (lice, COVID-19, chickenpox, measles, pertussis, and meningitis) at home, we need to be informed since it is a licensing requirement to inform all parents of the children in the specific classroom of the exposure. Also if your child experiences fever, diarrhea, or vomiting in order to return to school they must be symptom-free for 24 hours without the use of any medication.

## No Spring Break Closure

We are open throughout April; **we do not have a spring break**. If you will be away, please let us know as we worry about the children if we don't see them! Our next closure is May 27th for Memorial Day.

## Danville Congregational Church Egg Hunt

Please join us for our annual Egg Hunt and Brunch!

**When:** Saturday, March 30, at 9am sharp (arrive at 8:45am)

**Where:** Backyard/vineyard of Bette and Jim Felton - 6 Sky Terrace in Danville

**What:** Bring a container for your eggs and sturdy shoes for hunting. Park face down the hill on the opposite side of the street from the house. Questions? Call or text Betty at 510-220-0489. In the event of rain, the event will be held inside at Danville Congregational Church next to Dayspring.

## End of Year Events

We are looking forward to having a wonderful **graduation ceremony and end of year family events during the week of May 28**. More details to come so please keep a lookout in your folders and in Brightwheel!

## A Big Thank You!

- To our families who brought items for our egg hunt!
- To Ryan Y and family for bringing coffee
- To Enzo and family for the homemade playdough
- To board member Barb for the yummy treats
- To the Dayspring Board of Directors for the delicious salads during our staff work day.

## Reminders

- You or your authorized representative must sign your child in and out every day. This is a licensing requirement. If you are not using the Brightwheel app you may use the paper sign in sheet.
- When dropping off your child please be sure to make eye contact with one of the teachers so they know your child has arrived.
- If you are not staying at Dayspring for TK/Kindergarten in the fall and are headed to a local public school, readiness forms are due to the elementary schools by May 1. Bring it to us with the school name listed. Teachers will complete the form and we will send it directly to the school.

## Important Dates

<i>Picture Days</i>	<b>April 17th</b>	Rooms 1 and 2
	<b>April 18th</b>	Rooms 3 and 4
<i>Holiday</i>	<b>May 27th</b>	Memorial Day Holiday - Dayspring Closed
<i>Graduation</i>	<b>May 29th</b>	9:30 AM - Room 3
		11:00 AM - Room 4



## Snack Menu April 2024

Week 1	Monday 1	Tuesday 2	Wednesday 3	Thursday 4	Friday 5
	String Cheese Apple Wedges Water	Graham Crackers Orange Slices Milk	Chex Mix Apple sauce Water	Nutri Grain Bars Milk	Cheerios Raisins Milk
Week 2	8	9	10	11	12
	Strawberries Wheat Thins Milk	Cucumbers Saltine Crackers Water	Club Crackers Apple Sauce Water	Toast Fruit Spread Milk	Greek Vanilla Yogurt Crackers Milk
Week 3	15	16	17	18	19
	Cantaloupe Cracker Mix Milk	Pita Bread Hummus Milk	Crackers Mango Chunks Water	Animal Crackers Orange Slices Water	Trail Mix Fruit Salad Milk
Week 4	22	23	24	25	26
	Cheez-It Crackers Bananas Milk	Ritz Crackers Carrots/Dip Water	Grape Tomatoes Wheat Thins Water	Toast Crunch Apples Milk	Veggie Straws Saltine Crackers Milk
Week 5	29	30			
	Toast Fruit Spread Milk	Trail Mix Fruit Salad Milk			

**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.**