



MARCH

HEAD START NEWS

Chisholm Head Start & Early Head Start Newsletter



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FROM THE DESK OF YOUR CDS

By Andrea Rodgers

Can't believe March is already upon us. It seems like the months are flying by much too quickly. February was a flash and I am sure summer will be here in the blink of an eye. We had lots of exciting events that occurred in February and have much more to come in March.

We are delighted with the progress of all our children at this point of the school year. All have totally excelled in all their preschool activities. Our staff feels so fortunate to have such delightful, bright and beautiful children.

We also appreciate all of our parents' efforts in getting their children to class. Your participation and communication makes our job so much easier. Thank you for taking the time to allow the Teachers to complete virtual home visits. It's great to see the children in their natural environments when they join you in these conferences. It helps the teachers learn so much about them.

March presents another fun filled and busy month in our center. We will continue to fill the student's days with a combination of fun activities, educational games and many other events.



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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

3/3/21: Early Release Day
3/19/21: Teacher Workday
3/22-3/26 Spring Break



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FAMILY ADVOCATE CORNER

By: Yasmin Moore

I would like to greet you as your new Family Advocate. My name is Yasmin Moore. I have been working with Head Start for the past 2 ½ years and it is my pleasure to serve you in this capacity. I am looking forward to meeting all of you, as I have met your children.

COVID REMINDER: As we continue to practice COVID 19 protocols, please remember that anyone entering our campus is expected to wear a mask. Parents are to wear mask at drop off and pick up , and to maintain a distance of 6 ft. If you need a mask please ask the teacher or a staff member for one.

Attendance: Please remember (1) that teachers cannot sign children in before 7:45 a.m. (2) To call the school before 9:00 a.m. if your child will be absent. My contact cell phone number is 386 956 3688.

Medical Records: Medical records expiration notices are being sent home and parents are requested to follow the deadlines on the notices.

Important Dates: March 3rd – Early Release; March 22-26 Spring Break

#TEACHABLEMOMENT: let every moment with your child be a teachable moment.



CLASSROOM 1

Ms. Maritza and Ms. Amber

We are focusing on shoes this month. We will learn about what do our shoes look like, how do we take our shoes off and put them on, and how are our shoes the same or different. We will continue to work on sharing with our friends and learning how to use our words.

A NOTE FROM THE TEACHERS

CLASSROOM 3

We will be finishing up our Gardening theme and going into the recycling theme. We started learning about our environment with the gardening theme but enhance the learning right into our new theme of recycling. We will also continue to write, count, colors, shapes, drawing with some detail, identify letters and numbers, identifying their first name, retelling of stories, identifying and managing their feelings, we will work on independent skills and problem solving techniques. The children are progressing well and love learning new things and continue to grow with new skills every day.

~Ms. Lynn and Ms. Amanda

CLASSROOM 4

We will be concluding our gardening study by talking about how to harvest a garden. We will then move on to our new study: Reduce, Reuse Recycle! We will discuss what we know and want to learn about this topic. Then we will talk about what people throw away. We will discuss where trash goes and the workers who help us at landfills and recycling centers. If you would be willing to donate cleaned and sanitized recyclables to our class for our study, it would be much appreciated. Our letters for the month of March are Vv, Ww, Xx, and Yy. We will learn about the numbers 22, 23, 24, and 25. ~Ms. Karen and Ms. Maria

PARENT MEETING MINUTES

- February 18, 2021
- Parent Meeting started at: 3:00 p.m. via ZOOM
 - Parents were greeted by: Family Advocate
 - REPORTS
 - Teachers: Yes: X No:
 - FA: YES: X No:
 - Policy Council Rep: Yes : No: X
- Notes:
 - Chairperson, FA, greeted parents and introduced herself.
 - Teachers presented information on classroom activities and encouraged parents engage with their children in activities.
 - Policy Council representatives were not present and no reports were available.
 - FA led a post Valentine Bingo with parents and staff.
 - FA discussed attendance for the month of January.
 - FA explained to parents and staff the importance of the Blue Comment Card
 - FA engaged parents in Parent Curriculum Activity "Making it a Routine". FA invited parents to share anything they gathered from the Parent Curriculum 6 part Series. Teachers participated by endorsing and contributing to the discussion on the importance of routine to children. FA encouraged parents to use every moment as #Teachablemoment with their child.
- Eight parents were present at the meeting (including 4 male parents).
- Five staff members were present.
- Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.
- Next meeting will be 3/18/21 at 3 p.m. via ZOOM



HOME LEARNING / FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

Make a project completely out of recycled materials. For example, make a car or a boat out of a milk jug and paper towel rolls. Bring them in to display in our classroom



POLICY COUNCIL UPDATES

On Thursday, February 25, 2021, MFCS HS/EHS Policy Council met via Zoom. New elections were held for the Chair and Vice Chair positions; these were filled. The Policy Council approved the January PC Minutes. Six prospective staff were approved to proceed with hiring. The following reports were approved: budgets, attendance, enrollment, and snack reports. Lastly, the following Parent Activities were approved: Osteen, Westside, and Easter Seals.



"The Paper Bag Princess" by Robert Munsch
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sCobkTDLNTc>
"Radio Man" by Arthur Dorros
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9EwJ1RyFDWM>

CHILDREN'S BOOK SUGGESTION