



MARCH

HEAD START NEWS

Spring Hill Early Head Start Newsletter



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FROM THE DESK OF YOUR CDS

By: **Zoribel Nevarez**

Read Across America Day, also known as Dr Seuss Day, is a yearly observance in the USA inaugurated by the NEA (National Education Association). It is held on the school day that is nearest to 2 March, Dr Seuss birthday. Theodor Seuss Geisel was an American artist, book publisher, animator, poet, a political cartoonist as well as an author. He is best known for authoring over 60 children's books. 10 Benefits of Reading: 1. Children who read often and widely get better at it. After all, practice makes perfect in almost everything humans do, and reading is no different. 2. Reading exercises our brain. Reading is a much more complex task for the human brain rather than watching TV, for example. Reading strengthens brains connections and builds NEW connections. 3. Reading improves concentration. Children have to sit still and quietly so that they can focus on the story when they are reading. If the read often, they will develop the skill to do this for longer. 4. Reading teaches children about the world around them. Through reading a variety of books children learn about people, places, and events outside of their own experience. 5. Reading improves vocabulary and language skills. Children learn new words as they read. Subconsciously, they absorb information on how to structure sentences and how to use words and other language features effectively in their writing and speaking. 6. Reading develops a child's imagination. As we read our brains translate the descriptions we read of people, places and things into pictures. While we are engaged in a story we are also imagining how a character is feeling. Young children then bring this knowledge into their everyday play. 7. Reading helps children to develop empathy. As children develop they begin to imagine how they would feel in that situation. 8. Reading is a fun. A book or an e-reader doesn't take up much space and is light to carry, so you take it anywhere so you can never be bored if you have a book in your bag 9. Reading is a great way to spend time together. Reading together on the sofa, bedtimes stories and visiting the library are just some ways of spending time together. 10. Children who read achieve better in school. Reading promotes achievement in all subjects, not just English. Children who are good readers tend to achieve better across the curriculum.



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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Spring break -

Monday March 15th through March 19th



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FAMILY ADVOCATE CORNER

By: Lynda Kersey, Lynn Woerner, and Nitza Jerez

We thank everyone who attended our Parent Committee Meeting in February 16th. We thank you for your support and patience as we all learn together and get used to technology! We want to remind you that our parent activity and parent meeting will be on March 11th @ 11:00 a.m. We will soon send you a link and information for the zoom meeting. We will have a speaker doing a presentation about the importance of affirmations. You will also have the opportunity to pick up a small magnet board in the morning and decorate it before the meeting and show us your work. The board will be use for you to write affirmations words for your children. We excited to see all of them! See you soon!



CLASSROOM 401

Hello March!! Classroom 401 has enjoyed another busy month! We had fun celebrating friendship week. We learned all about the important of health and nutrition!! Dramatic Center was our favorite center because they had lots of fun exploring all the food with had for play. As we move into the month of March, we will be continuing to learn about healthy habits and dental health too. We will be encouraging the children to use these habits at home. We want to say thank you to all our families for all the support they give to their children with all the activities we sent home.

~Ms. Mandy and Ms. Alma Class 401

CLASSROOM 402

For the month of March, Room 402, will be learning about different types of clothes. How we put clothing on and take it off. Also, we are going to learn what clothes we use for different seasons in the year. Watch the Facebook page, you might see a familiar face or two.

~Ms. Donna and Ms. Sita

A NOTE FROM THE TEACHERS

CLASSROOM 301

Hello everyone, this year is going so fast. I can't believe March is here. This month we will be working with cleaning up and following directions. We are working with sharing, playing nicely with our friends, and using our words to communicate with each other. Hope everyone enjoys their spring break, enjoy your families and be safe.

~Ms. Betzy and Ms. Olivia

CLASSROOM 302

Hello 302 Families! First off I would like to remind everyone the spring break starts March 12th and ends March 21st I hope we all have a fun and safe break. As for our classroom we will be learning about spring! Spring showers bring May flowers! Can't wait to learn with you!

~Ms. Melody and Ms. Laurel

PARENT MEETING MINUTES

Last month's Zoom Parent Meeting was a success with 20 parents in attendance. The parents voted on the Parent Activity which had been approved by The Policy Council. As we approach February, we would like to remind you that on February 12th 2021 there will be no class, it is an In-Service Day. In observance of the holiday President's Day will be February 15th 2021, there will be no school. Last month's Zoom Parent Meeting was a success with 20 parents in attendance. The parents voted on the Parent Activity which had been approved by The Policy Council. As we approach February we would like to remind you that on February 12th 2021 there will be no class it is an In-Service Day. In observance of the holiday President's Day will be February 15th 2021, there will be no school.



CHILDREN'S BOOK SUGGESTION

HOME LEARNING / FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

Be in the look at for the home activities that are going home.



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.



Pete the Cat: The Great Leprechaun Chase Author & Illustrator -
James Dean <https://youtu.be/aUiAnNXvHc>