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HEAD START NEWS

Brooksville Head Start Newsletter



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FROM THE DESK OF YOUR CDS

By: Jennifer Hanner

Can you believe the school year is coming to an end! We made it through this uncharted time I want to thank you all for working with us as we figured out the kinks. Without the help from all with homeschooling your child on Fridays we wouldn't be able to do our fun zoom calls. I know, as well as the teachers are sad that we can't do our end of the year performances as we normally do. We are hoping that next year, we can get back to some of our normal routines. With the school year ending, comes parent teacher conferences. Please keep an eye out for when the teachers schedule these. With the weather changing, please make sure you child's extra clothes are weather appropriate. We want to wish all of the families who are leaving our program lots of luck. Now is the time, if you haven't already to registrar for kindergarten. If you need any help, please reach out to your Family Advocate. For all the families who will be returning to us next school, we can't wait to see what next year brings us. We hope you all have a great summer!



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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Early release May 28th at 1:00pm-
Last day of school
Parent meeting May 18th



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FAMILY ADVOCATE CORNER

By: Jody Lopez, Eniebelle Garcia, Niesha Simmon, and Celina Degollado

Greetings to all our families! I would like to take this opportunity to introduce you to our new Family Advocate, Celina Degollado. If you see her, please take the chance to welcome her into her new role.

I look forward to seeing you all at our final Parent Meeting on Tuesday May 18, 2021 at 9AM via Zoom.

For those families who plan on having their Head Start child return to the program for the 2021-2022 program year, please stop by the Family Advocates Office to complete the Rollover Application for your child. We are also accepting Applications for both EHS and HS for the 2021-2022 Program year.

All Expiration Notices for Immunizations and Physicals have already been sent out for children for the month of April. Please update these documents and submit them to your FA. Also, please update your FA on any Dental or physical appointments you have scheduled.

Lastly, please bring your child to school on time and every day. Cut off time is 9AM. child will not be allowed to enter the program if he/she arrives after 9AM. If your child is absent, please notify your FA or teaching staff



CLASSROOM 701

Hello Everyone!

It's difficult to believe that the end of the 2020-2021 school year has arrived! We ended the school year learning about balls. We even got to cut a ball and see what it is inside. We will be starting to work on a parent teacher conferences, so please keep an eye out for our sign up sheet. We have had an outstanding time with your children and wish you all a wonderful beginning to your summer. For those going on the Kindergarten, we'll definitely miss you and wish you well in years ahead. We personally would like to thank everyone for their enthusiastic support of this past school year. Please read to your child every day.

~Ms. Evelyn /Mr. Ryan



A NOTE FROM THE TEACHERS

CLASSROOM 902/1402

Hello Parents!

This has been a very exciting month. We had so much fun learning about Pets. A veterinarian office was created in our Dramatic Play Area. The children have been able to play and use different pets to learn how to take care of them. We are preparing the children for their next step into Kindergarten. Please bring weather appropriate change of clothes to replace your child's clothes in their extra clothes bags. May will go by even faster and we have a lot to cover before we say "Hello" to summer. We are going to be reviewing our letters, numbers, shapes and colors, while we learn about Pets.

~Ms. Marybell and Ms. Margie

CLASSROOM 904

In the month of April we entered into our new study...MUSIC! We are learning about the different types of instruments in a band, what things we can use to make sound in our classroom and how to make our own instruments. We are continuing to spell our names, learn our birthdays and use our words to help solve problems.

For the month of May, we will focus on reviewing all of our letters and letter sounds, counting and number recognition as the school year nears its close. We will continue to use our letters and numbers bingo to reinforce the letters of the alphabet and numbers that we have learned throughout the year. Remember to check your email on TSG daily.. Also, parent teacher conferences will start soon. Any question please don't hesitate to ask.

A NOTE FROM THE TEACHERS



CLASSROOM 901

Hello May!

Classroom 901 is continuing to strengthen our listening and communication skills! We will finish out the year learning about Insects!!! If you have any knowledge about bugs you are welcome to join us via Zoom and share your knowledge. Please remember to send blankets to school on Monday! Please send your child to school in closed toe and heel shoes as it is unsafe. Thank you!!

~Ms. Yolanda and Ms. Jessyal

CLASSROOM 903

Hello parents! We are keeping busy here in 903! Since our study focus for the next couple weeks has been exercise, we converted our dramatic play area into an in-house gym. Our gym has jump ropes, yoga mats, dumbbell weights, and even resistance bands for the children to explore. In between, we also have made time to practice on recognizing our letters, numbers, and our names. We all know kindergarten is around the corner, so Mrs. Jackie and I even incorporated some addition and subtraction lessons for the children. It has been a real pleasure joining the classroom of 903 and getting to know all of the children. Although my time with them was short, I believe we made the best out of it! We still have much learning to do and we plan on getting it all done so our children can be ready for the next level of education. Any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Jackie or me, Mr. Diante.

~Mr. Diante & Mrs. Jackie



HOME LEARNING / FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

Classrooms send home two learning activities a month. Please make sure you return them to your child's teacher.

POLICY COUNCIL UPDATES

The April Policy Council met via Zoom today. The March Minutes were approved. Five proposed staff were approved for hire. The Attendance/Enrollment and Snack reports were Approved. Several policies and procedures were reviewed and accepted. The Bushnell and Holly Hill Parent Activities were approved as were all Center and Service Reports.



CHILDREN'S BOOK SUGGESTION

PARENT MEETING MINUTES

- Parent Meeting Minutes Tuesday, April 20, 2021 @ 9AM
- 6 parents were in Attendance on Zoom
- Meeting and Minutes were done by Jody Lopez (Family Advocate)
- No Parents from the Parent Committee were present.
- Celina Degollado, the new Family Advocate for Brooksville was introduced. (Advocate was not present at the time of meeting)
- Parent Minutes were read and approved
- February Policy Council report was read
- Program reminders were read:
- Last Day for HS – Thursday, May 27, 2021 – Early Dismissal at 1PM
- No School for EHS – Monday, May 31, 2021 – Memorial Day
- Tuesday, June 1, 2021 – Student Holiday
- Rollover Applications: HS parent of children who will be returning next year were reminded to stop by the FA's office to complete rollover application.
- Program hours for EHS is from 8AM-4PM/HS is from 8AM-2PM Monday through Friday. Cut off time is 9AM. A child will not be allowed to enter the program if he/she arrives after 9AM.
- Parent's will be notified if a child's Physical/Immunization is expiring.
- Parent's must complete a Changes to Family Information Form in order to add someone in the pickup list.
- Parent were notified that the program is taking applications for the new 2021-2022 program year. Parent we encourage to tell others that might benefit from the program.
- EHS/HS updates were done by Jody Lopez – Parents were reminded that Parent/Teacher Conferences will take place in May 2021. VPK assessments will also take place.
- Perfect Attendance Awards were announced.
- Parents were asked if they had any concerns – parents had no concerns pertaining to the program.
- Next Parent Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 @ 9AM via Zoom.
- Meeting Adjourned.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=75NQK-Sm1YY>

The Very Hungry Caterpillar By: Eric Carle