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HEAD START NEWS

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FROM THE DESK OF YOUR CDS

By: Melissa Davila Colon

It is hard to believe that this is our last newsletter. Our preschool year is winding down and some of our preschoolers will be off to kindergarten in the fall. To help your child look forward to a new school year, be sure to talk positively about making new friends, learning new things, growing up, and becoming a "big boy or girl." We thank you for entrusting your child to us this year. We have enjoyed working with all of the children in our care and have seen growth, development and skill acquisition in all of the boys and girls. We have also witnessed how the children have grown in the way they manage emotions/feelings. Thank you for being your child's first and most important teacher and working with us on behalf of your child. We thank you for your support throughout the year.
Have a wonderful and safe summer!

Es difícil creer que este es nuestro último boletín. Nuestro año preescolar está llegando a su fin y algunos de nuestros niños en edad preescolar comenzarán el jardín de infantes en el otoño. Para ayudar a su hijo a esperar un nuevo año escolar, asegúrese de hablar de manera positiva sobre hacer nuevos amigos, aprender cosas nuevas, crecer y convertirse en un "niño o niña grande". Le agradecemos que nos haya confiado a su hijo este año. Hemos disfrutado trabajar con todos los niños bajo nuestro cuidado y hemos visto crecimiento, desarrollo y adquisición de habilidades en todos los niños y niñas. También hemos sido testigos de cómo los niños han crecido en la forma de gestionar las emociones/sentimientos. Gracias por ser el primer y más importante maestro de su hijo y trabajar con nosotros en nombre de su hijo. Les agradecemos su apoyo durante todo el año.
¡Que tengas un verano maravilloso y seguro!



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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Spring Fling: 5/06/22 @ 10:00 am
Parent Meeting: 5/13/22 @ 11:30 AM
Parent Activity: 5/13/22 @ 10:00 am
Art Show: 5/25/22 @ 4:30 PM
Student Holiday: May 30, 2022
End of the Year Celebration: To be announced



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FAMILY ADVOCATE CORNER

By: Margarita Montes

Dear parents,

We are continuing taking applications for the new school year (2022-2023). For our Head Start program child must be 3 years of age by September 1. Please call us for an appointment, and we will let you know what documentation you need to bring. If your child is a rollover and his/her physical, immunization & / or dentist expired. I will be here all summer. Please bring it to me as soon as you get it.

Be reminder that our parking lot is still in a school setting and that children and family are crossing the road. therefore, please be mindful of your speed when coming into the parking lot. Also, remember that the school is a smoke free area.

Thank you for participating at our Parent Activity. We had a great time!

Thank you

Queridos Padres,

Ya estamos tomando aplicaciones para el próximo año escolar (2022-2023) Para nuestro programa de Head Start el niño (a) tiene que tener 3 años de edad antes del 1 de Septiembre. Por favor llámeme para hacer una cita y le dejaré saber la documentación que tiene que traer.

Recuerde que nuestro estacionamiento todavía se encuentra en una zona escolar y que los niños y la familia están cruzando la calle. por lo tanto, tenga en cuenta su velocidad al ingresar al estacionamiento. Además, recuerde que la escuela es un área libre de humo.

Gracias por participar en nuestra actividad de Padres.La pasamos de maravilla!

Gracias

A NOTE FROM THE TEACHERS

Classroom 1 Ms. Anabel and Mrs Magali

Hello, in the month of May we continue our study of rocks. During the study the children had explored the different sizes, textures and colors of the rocks. The teachers have asked the parents to bring in any rock/s of their to share inside the classroom for each child to manipulate during the study. Parents please always remember to dress your children accordingly to the weather. Thank you.

Hola, en el mes de mayo continuamos nuestro estudio de las rocas. Durante el estudio los niños han explorado los diferentes tamaños, texturas y colores de las rocas. Las maestros han compartido con los padres que pueden donar rocas para compartir dentro del salón de clases para que cada niño la manipule durante el estudio. Padres, recuerden siempre vestir a sus hijos de acuerdo con el clima. Gracias



A NOTE FROM THE TEACHERS

Classroom 2 Mrs Maribel and Mrs Ondina

The children will learn about the paper, the different types of paper there are; and how or in what we use paper. For example, we will show the children paper of different colors, textures and demonstrations how to use it, and that books are paper, we will show cardboard boxes.

We will use colors, pencils and paint to work with paper. We will also take the opportunity to talk to you about the season of the year, we will be able to observe the flowers and their colors in spring. We will also continue to read books, songs, and stories related to spring. Always implement the hygiene and safety of our children.

Los niños aprenderán sobre el estudio del papel. Los diferentes tipos de papel que hay; y como o en que usamos papel. Por ejemplo, mostraremos a los niños papeles de diferentes colores, texturas y demostraciones como usarlo, y que los libros son papel, mostraremos cajas de cartón. Utilizará colores, lápices y pintura para trabajar con papel. También aprovecharemos para hablarles de la estación del año, podremos observar las flores y sus colores en primavera.

También continuaremos leyendo libros, canciones e historias relacionadas con la primavera. Implementar siempre la higiene y seguridad de nuestros niños.

Classroom 3 Mrs Bethzaida and Mrs Gloria

To all our parents: We cannot believe how fast time goes by. The month of May will be our last educational month. I am so sad we need to start preparing children for the new transition: leaving us.. We are working already in our kids who go to kindergarten. They keep awake when others sleep and they are served breakfast and lunch as the cafeteria will do. We are talking about each situation they will face going to the new school. The other children who stayed behind also benefit from the conversations we have every day in our classroom. We rejoice when we see our children growing. It has been a satisfying year having all of you cooperating in every activity. Children are enthusiastic looking at the five Chrysalis(Pupa) which they observe every day. Also they look into our five mountain ants, now they are digging tunnels. Jazlyn mom brought to us two giant tadpoles, adding to many tiny tadpoles in a container, what a great surprise for May, big frogs and little ones!!! Ask your child for every living thing in our classroom. Hope you can join us in our last activities! Thank you for everything.

A todos nuestros padres: No podemos creer lo rápido que pasa el tiempo. El mes de mayo será nuestro último mes educativo. Estoy tan triste que necesitamos comenzar a preparar a los niños para la nueva transición: Decir adiós. Ya estamos trabajando en nuestros niños que van al jardín de infantes. Se mantienen despiertos cuando otros duermen y se les sirve el desayuno y el almuerzo como lo hará la cafetería. Estamos hablando de cada situación que enfrentarán al ir a la nueva escuela. Los otros niños que se quedaron también se benefician de las conversaciones que tenemos todos los días en nuestro aula. Nos regocijamos cuando vemos crecer a nuestros hijos. Ha sido un año satisfactorio tener a todos ustedes cooperando en cada actividad. Los niños están entusiasmados mirando las cinco crisálidas (Pupa) que observan todos los días. También miran a nuestras cinco hormigas de montaña, ahora están cavando túneles. La mamá de Jazlyn nos trajo dos renacuajos gigantes, que se suman a muchos renacuajos diminutos en un recipiente, qué gran sorpresa para May, ranas grandes y pequeñas!!! Pregúntele a su hijo sobre todo animal vivo en el aula. Hagale preguntas. Esperamos puedan acompañarnos a las próximas actividades. Gracias por todo!

PARENT MEETING MINUTES

Welcomed all parents and staff

·No updates for Policy Council Report

·Reviewed Second Step Online Curriculum

·Powerpoint Topic 4: Feelings

Important Dates:

·Transition Parent Meeting Thursday April 14th 2:30 (Malloy)

·No School:

Monday April 25th

·Parent Activity Friday April 29th 10:00 (Painting with a Twist)

·Teacher Appreciation Week 5/2/2022-5/6/2022

·Art on the Grow Night at the Museum Wednesday May 25th 4-7:00pm (Art Museum in Deland)

·Spring Fling May 27th

·Last Day of School for Headstart Friday June 3rd (restart date TBA)

Whats going on in the Classroom? -

CDS -

·Recruitment for employment and enrollment

·Vote on food for Parent activity (potluck)

·Review and vote on activities for Spring Fling

·Rollover and reapplications due asap. (Schedule with Margarita Montes Monday-Wednesday)

EHS and HS -

·Classroom 1 and 2 for EHS are learning about different textures

oAll EHS will sign in at Classroom one before 8:00AM

·Classroom 3 HS is learning about insects and amphibians.

oTransitions from egg to final metamorphosis (Tadpoles and Caterpillars)

Next meeting May 13th 4:15 (Celebration last meeting of the school year)

Parent guess the candies, Prize given

Meeting adjourned at 5:01 PM



CHILDREN'S BOOK SUGGESTION

Who Lives In Trees - YouTube by Trish Holland

"A Grand Old Tree" Read Aloud by Ms. Torres - YouTube written by Mary Newell Depalma

The Grouchy Ladybug by Eric Carle Read Aloud - YouTube

Colors by Jorge Lujan and Piet Grobler - YouTube

HOME LEARNING / FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

Spring Collage

Objective: Engages in conversations

Materials: Clear contact paper and nature items collected from walk.

Spring is here and what best way to talk about the outdoor environment to encourage conversations with your child.

1. Go outside for a walk and talk about plants, animals, colors, textures and the season.
2. Ask your child what would he like to collect to make a spring collage after the walk.
3. Discuss the collection and use contact paper to add items and hang them up on the window or somewhere around the home where the child is able to see it.

POLICY COUNCIL UPDATES

April Policy Council met via Zoom on April 28, 2022. Quorum was established with 13 present.

Annette Becklan, Head Start Mental Health Consultant, presented and trained the members with a thorough presentation on Social and Emotional Mental Health.

The March meeting minutes were approved. The Budget and Credit Card statements were approved. The Enrollment, Attendance and Snack reports were approved.

Jennifer Fowler presented request for Parent Activity Funds that were approved.

Heidi Rand presented on ACF-PI-HS-22-02 on Head Start Funding Increase. This was presented for information purposes only and voting not required. Heidi stated that the focus for the pay increase will go to the Teachers and Teacher Assistants.

Management is working on the budget to eliminate center positions to help divide the funds.

Staffing Reports were presented for information purposes. All Service Area and Center Reports were presented and approved. Seth Williams shared the update on writing the No Kids Hungry Grant. He shared that the grant was submitted before April 15th and waiting to hear if the program receives the funding. Until funding is received we do not at this time have funds to provide backpack meals at this time. If approved the program will run for 25 weeks. Seth explained that the Sunshine Health grant was not approved.

Next Policy Council meeting is Thursday, May 26, 2022.