



## EVEC March Newsletter

The Parent Meeting is March 26th at 2:15 pm

### Early Release:

- \*March 7
- \*March 21
- \*March 28

### Important Dates:

No School

- March 9th: Teacher In-service Day
- March 12-16: Spring Break

### Parent Meeting:

- \* March 26th @ 2:15

### Family Involvement:

- \*March 26th @ 1:30

### Policy Council Meeting:

- \*March 29th

### Library :

- \*March 2 Class 1,2,4
- \*March 23 Class 3,5

### Picture Day:

- \*March 22nd: Starts 8am
- Will go class by class.
- Will follow this order.
- Be sure to have your children on time!!
- Classroom 3
- Classroom 2
- Classroom 1
- Classroom 5
- Classroom 4

Siblings will be taken together

### From the Desk of Crystal Hill, CDS

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 our behalf. Your participation and communication makes our job so much easier. Thank you for taking the time to allow the Teachers to come into your homes for the home visits. It's great to see the children in their natural environments. 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.

**Don't forget Daylight Savings Time starts on March 11, 2018.  
Set those clocks ahead one hour.**

**Come in to Volunteer in Your Child's Classroom!!**

**Thank you to Those parents that Attended the Transition to Kindergarten Meeting. If your child is going to Kindergarten we will have another meeting in May. Please plan to attend..**





## **FAMILY ADVOCATE'S CORNER**

We are marching into Spring Break on Monday March 12<sup>th</sup> to Friday March 16<sup>th</sup>. Classes resume on Monday March 19, 2018. Have fun together and take advantage of the opportunity to read to you children. Visit the library with your child there are lots of Resources and books relating to the seasons. It is an ideal time to discuss the changes in the seasons. Update their health records and dental appointments. It is time to register for Summer VPK. Applications for the new school year will begin soon.

Please tell your friends and family members to contact Ms. Alicia @ 386-323-7114 or Ms. Janet @ 386-323-7115.

Be safe and enjoy your break.



## **CLASSROOM #1: THE SUPER HEROES**

Greetings from Classroom # 1 The Superhero's. There's a lot going on in March, the time goes forward, we have Spring Break the week of March 12-16 which starts on March 8<sup>th</sup> for the students. We have our second Transition to Kindergarten meeting as well as the children will no longer be taking naps after Spring Break in an effort to prepare them for Kindergarten which has no naps! Our themes for March will be Clothes for My Body, Hat on My Head, and Spring is Here. In Second Step they will be learning about Joining in with Play, Saying what the Problem is, Thinking of Solutions and Speaking Assertively. We are very pleased with how well the children have been using the techniques and strategies they have been learning during Second Step which helps them with managing their feelings and emotions along with appropriate ways to do so. We will continue working on adding and start subtracting. We will be working on more ordering and grouping. We will continue working on rhyming words as well as descriptive words, and plurals. We thank you for all of your patience and support, Ms. Kenya and Mrs. Lorri😊



## **CLASSROOM #2: INSIDE OUT**

In the month of March we will be learning about the city and the country, we will be talking about what we see in the city verses the county from the cars, sounds, houses. We are reviewing the letters in our name, and letter sounds. During spring break we are encouraging parents to continue to read to your children daily and practice writing their names and reviewing numbers and letter sounds. Ms. Danna and I would like to thank all the parents who participated in our family involvement activities. We would also like to thank the parents for coming to our parent meetings and out to our kindergarten transition meeting; it is a great way to get into the habit of going to them as your child progresses in school. We also like to thank our parents for your continue corporation and your support! Ms. Kathi & Ms. Danna

**CLASSROOM #3: THE SHINING STARS**

This month we are going to be learning about Big Cities and the Country and also the letters (Rr, Mm) and numbers 1 to 10, along with lots of fun things. We are going to continue working on our gross motor skills, fine motor skills and Second Step Curriculum. I great big shout out to our class for learning the numbers 0 to 5 and the letters in their names, they are doing a wonderful job!

A few friendly reminder, our day begins at 8:00 am and ends at 2:00 pm Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri and Wednesday is early realize at 1:00pm. And please make sure that your child have extra clothing in their cubbies and to bring a blanket every Monday. Briget and I really appreciate your participation in our classroom activities.

Thank you for your support!

Mrs. Ada & Mrs. Briget

**CLASSROOM #4 UNDER THE SEA**

In March, our weekly themes will be clothes, hats, spring, and peaches! We will continue with our second step curriculum, which we will be learning about saying the problem and thinking of the solution. We will continue meeting with you at the home visits to discuss transitioning to kindergarten. We will have transition to kindergarten meetings at school to learn more about this as well. This will provide ideas to help your child be successful in kindergarten as well as food and prizes! We look forward to seeing you at each one and appreciate your help in making this transition a smooth one for your child! Thanks for all you do to help with your child's education! Mrs. Amanda & Ms. Mary

**CLASSROOM #5: JUNGLE BUDDIES**

Our school family is working together to be ready for kindergarten. Already we started with transition meetings . Those meetings are separate from parent meetings that we have every month. There are scheduled only three special and unique meetings with activities, prizes and food!!!!. We had our first on February 22<sup>nd</sup>. We will inform in advance for our next meetings so you can make plans. The class with the best attendance will have a piñata for that class only. We hope you can be present every meeting. Parents let's keep working together to see our children succeed. Count with them 1 to 30. Read to them and ask what, where, how and why questions. Tell them short math word problems relating to addition. We are very happy all your home activities done on the month of February. Your projects were awesome! We will display your projects done with pictures we took. We are going to keep working with excellence and enthusiasm.

Thank you from the teaching team: Mrs. Bethzaida and Ms. Monica



## Policy Council update for February 2018

### Policy Council Update – February 2018

The February Policy Council Meeting was held on Thursday, Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup> at Mid Florida Head Start/Early Head Start Administrative Offices in Hernando and Volusia Counties via video conference. Fourteen policy council members were present. Twelve staff members were present.

The attendance rate of several classrooms fell below 85% last month. The primary reason for absences was illness.

The following reports were approved: *Budget, Credit Cards, Enrollment/ Attendance, Meals and Snacks, Service Areas and Centers.* Parent Activity requests for EVEC and Jo Sheppard were approved. New hires for the following positions were approved: One substitute teacher - Hernando ; Three substitute teachers - Volusia; One Early Head Start Teacher at Malloy - Volusia; One Early Head Start Teacher at Oakridge-Volusia. The submission of an Early Head Start grant application in the amount of \$154,612 was approved.

Denise Thompson, Disabilities Services Coordinator, made a presentation about Disabilities Services provided by the Head Start/Early Head Start program. She explained how the program helps children prepare for school by conducting developmental screenings (if consented by parents), providing referrals for additional evaluations and individualization.

The program is set to expand soon with the opening of one more Early Head Start classroom at the Malloy center and one more at the Hernando center. The program's recent proposal to provide child care services at Hope Place, a transitional housing community in Volusia, has been accepted and negotiations to initiate the services are in process. The program will open classrooms at this location in the near future.

The annual audit for the agency has been completed. The audit resulted in no findings. The federal review visit was conducted during the week of Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>. We are awaiting information as to the outcome of the visit.

### PARENT MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY FEBRUARY 26, 2018

Meeting call to Order – Ms. Barbara Bright

Old Business - Minutes read from last meeting –

Classroom #1 performed the "Penguin Dance" for the parents.

- No School- In Service Teacher Duty Day – Friday March 9<sup>th</sup>
- Spring Break –March 12<sup>th</sup> – March 16<sup>th</sup>
- Summer VPK remember to sign up for your Vouchers
- Parents voted on Tie dye shirts for both children and adults. Some parents said they will purchase their own shirts
- Transition meeting next one with highest participation.
- Applications for new school year to start soon

Announcements – CDS Ms. Crystal Hill

- Schedule home visit this month
- Transition Process: No naps for VPK classrooms after spring break. Meals will be served cafeteria style
- Pictures – No cap & Gowns – March 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 8:00 am

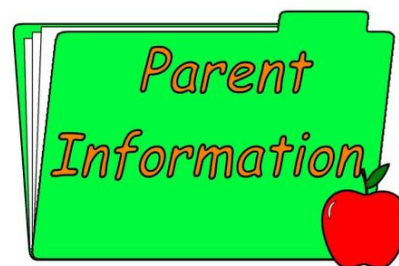
Family Engagement: Michael Davis – Not present

FA- Ms. Janet Ali & Ms. Alicia Graham

- Please be reminded that regular attendance is very important to our program.
- try to update all personal info such as Phone numbers, new address and pick up list.

Next Parent Meeting: March 26<sup>TH</sup> 2018.

Adjournment



# Perfect Attendance for February

## Classroom 1

Skiler Baker  
Caleb Savage  
Ky'Lei Shropshire  
Zi'Aira Smith  
Nyla Willis

## Classroom 2

Nicky Allen  
Ky'Ra Jackson  
Taiayh Walker

## Classroom 3

Phoenix Cottle  
Cameron McMillan  
Wy'Niecia Norwood  
Jonas Paschal  
K'Lynn Reed

## Classroom 4

Ivy Gervin  
Kelynd Smith

## Classroom 5

Jeyden Arzuaga Davila  
Ra'mya Hardy  
Josue Martinez-Roman  
Axel Mencias-Castro  
Logan Njele  
Sh'Rhia Owens  
Amarion Palmer  
Charles Paschal  
Trinity Walker

Perfect   
Attendance!