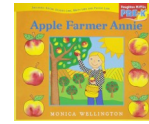


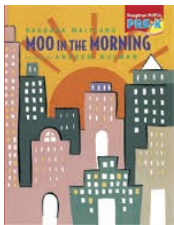
Woodward Head Start

March 2018



From the Teachers:

Throughout this month, we will celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday by reading many books and stories. In the City, In the Country is our theme. Using the topic "Country Life," we will read stories about rural areas and farms, and what it is like to live there. Using the topic "The Busy, Busy City," we will read stories about what it is like to live in the city and how people get around there. Using the topic "To Market, To Market," we will talk about the different things people buy and sell. The last week of the month we will begin our theme "Let's Move". Through the Second Step curriculum the children will learn the concepts of calming down, saying the problem, thinking of solutions, and speaking assertively.



Dates to Remember

Dr. Seuss Character Day: Dress up as your favorite Dr. Seuss character on March 2nd

Parent Meeting: Friday, March 7th at 1:15pm

Spring Pictures: Wednesday, March 7th

No School: Teacher Duty Day March 9th

Spring Break: March 12th through March 16th

Classes Resume: March 19th

Family Engagement: March 23th at 10:15am



A Message from Our Woodward Parent Meeting President:

We look forward to seeing you at our future meetings.

Remember, parents and other family members are always welcome to attend.

Have you checked your child's folder?



From the Desk of Jennifer Fowler, 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. March presents another fun filled and busy month here at Woodward. We will continue to fill the student's days with a combination of fun activities, educational games and many other events. We want to thank all parents for cooperating with the Teachers to get the home visits completed.

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

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







Dear parents,

Let me share with you the four "C's" of Loan Decision Making:



What are the Four Cs?

Lenders generally review the Four Cs to decide whether to make a loan to you. The Four Cs are: capacity, capital, character, and collateral.

- Capacity refers to your present and future ability to meet your payment obligations. This includes whether you have enough income to pay your bills and other debts. 
- Capital refers to the value of your assets and your net worth. 
- Character refers to how you have paid bills or debts in the past. Your credit report is one tool lenders use to consider your willingness to repay your debts. 
- Collateral refers to property or assets offered to secure the loan. 

www.fdic.gov/consumers/consumer/moneysmart/

Please, feel free to ask more about financial tips. If you would like to have more information on a specific topic, let me know and I will share information with all of you.

Thank you,

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Policy Council Update – February 2018

The February Policy Council Meeting was held on Thursday, Feb. 22nd 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. 12th. We are awaiting information as to the outcome of the visit.



Parents:: Remember to log-in to the Galileo Parent Center to see what your child has learned. Also, use Galileo to find some cool activities to do at home.

Type www.ati-online or Galileo preschool program.com



More News You Can Use!



Save the Date!

Wednesday,
March 23th 2018
Family Engagement Activity
Flying Kites
Starts at 10:15am



Reminders from the Teachers

- ♦ Please remember to check and return your child's folder every day.
- ♦ Please check to make sure that your child has a change of clothing that is appropriate for the weather.
- ♦ Please leave toys and personal items at home.