



CHESTERBROOK

# BULLETIN BOARD

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**APRIL 2018**

Dear Chesterbrook Parents,

We would like to start off by thanking all of our current families who have re-enrolled for our 2018-2019 school year! It is sure to be another great year here at Chesterbrook!

Winter is officially over and now that April is here we are hoping the weather breaks and the temperature stays a lot warmer, because everyone is anxious to get outside and play.

April has a lot going on this month! **Here are a few reminders about upcoming events and special dates:**

•**Tuesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>** is Picture Day!! We will be having individual portraits as well as class pictures. The Kindergarten class will also be taking their Graduation pictures! WOW! They are not required to wear their uniforms that day. ☺

•**Wednesday, April 18<sup>th</sup> 5:30-7:00pm** will be our curriculum night! Come join us for Earth Day activities and refreshments (more details to follow)

•The Week of the Young Child is **Monday, April 16<sup>th</sup> to Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup>**. *The Week of the Young Child* is an annual celebration sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). The purpose of the Week of the Young Child is to focus public attention on the needs of young children and their families and to recognize the early childhood programs and services that meet those needs. That week we will be having a different theme everyday to celebrate!

•**Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup> is Earth Day.** We will celebrate Earth Day by cleaning up our playground and releasing ladybugs back into nature at 10:00am. Be sure to wear red and black that day!

•Starting Tuesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> to Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup> Kindergarten will be taking the AABL (**Admission Assessment for Beginning Learners**) Assessment.

## Looking Ahead...

•**Monday, May 28<sup>th</sup>-** the school is closed for Memorial Day.

•**We will be sending home summer camp info in early April. Camp begins 6/18!**



Happy Spring everyone!  
Stacy, Maggie, & Adriane

## Infants

Happy April from the infant room! This month we will be continuing our practice with signing: please, thank you, more, and finished. We are very excited to take our Spring pictures, dress to impress! We will continue to work on gross motor skills in our room with tummy time & rolling over, crawling, and trying to stand and even walk! We are growing so fast and getting big in the infant room!

## Toddler A

Welcome Spring! This month we will be exploring the size of objects and using the words "big" and "little". Our color of the month will be Yellow and our shape will be an Oval. We will be taking notice of the environmental changes that occur during Spring so please send in outerwear as we will be going outside if weather permits! Goodbye Winter, Hello Spring!! Miss Rhonda, Miss Lisa, Miss Cammi

## Toddler B

Spring has finally arrived and we're very excited. We'll be going outside more so please keep an eye on the weather. Some of our Links to Learning skills for this month are washing hands with minimal support, finger painting and filling in words to familiar stories. Birthday greetings go out to Zoe. Congrats also for becoming a big sister! Juliana, Isabelle and Anthony are doing great using open cups. By the end of the month, they'll no longer need sippy cups!

## Beginner A

Beginner A is hopefully saying "goodbye" to snow and patiently waiting for flowers to bloom. This month, your child will recognize their first name in print, identify aspects of nature that we associate with Spring, and create art using basic shapes. We look forward to tons of learning and more opportunities to learn through outside adventures.

## Beginner B

Beginner B is in full bloom! We are ready for sunny days and to explore the outside. We will kick off April with wishing Adrianna a Happy Birthday! Wrapping up our busy month, please remember to check cubbies for proper weather appropriate clothing. As always, thanks for sharing your "Love Bugs" with us. Ms La-la and Ms Alyse

## Intermediates

Another month completed in Intermediates and the children are performing so well! In April the children will be working hard on communication with their friends and teachers, orally and by writing their first names and even writing some numerals. It's time to go outside and explore the weather, insects and the relationship to plants. The children will be doing a lot of outside activities. As always, daily we will continue to work on self-help and social interaction skills with peers and teachers. Please keep an eye out for all Tadpole reminders and notes.

## Pre-K

Can you believe it's only two and a half months away from graduation?! While March was an exciting month, April has even more exciting events coming up. We will be learning all about the weather and clouds. We will also be exploring our solar system. To celebrate Earth Day, we will be releasing lady bugs and learning all about the three R's. Some of our Links to Learning skills this month we'll be mastering are: matching pennies, nickels and dimes to their associated values, read and recognize more sight words, and use adjectives to describe an object. The memories this year have been the best and we are so excited to continue making memories that will last a life time!

## Kindergarten

This month we are focusing on initial medial and final Ee, Jj, Ww, Ks, and Uu, mastering the sight words from, go, here, blue, green, yellow, reading text based comprehension such as cause and effect, realism and fantasy, classify and categorize, and setting in Language Arts, mastering measurement, classifying objects, reviewing time and money in Mathematics, finishing our Habitats unit in Science, learning national symbols and first Americans in Social Studies. We will testing the Kindergarten students using AABL the week of April 16th. We will also be celebrating fun national days such as national pet day, national licorice day, national picnic day, and national pretzel day. We will also be hosting our first curriculum night 4/18 all about water pollution!

## Calendar of Events:

Tuesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> **Picture Day**



April 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>-**Kindergarten AABL Testing**

Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup> **Lady Bug Release for Earth Day**



## **Week of the Young Child**

### **Music Monday**

**April 16<sup>th</sup>**

Through music, children develop math, language, and literacy skills - All while having fun and being active! On this day we will have a Music and Movement class with the kids.

### **Tasty Tuesday**

**April 17<sup>th</sup>**

This fun, food-themed day is about more than just cheese and crackers. Cooking together connects math with literacy skills, science, and more.

### **Work Together Wednesday**

**April 18<sup>th</sup>**

When children build together they explore math and science concepts and develop their social and early literacy skills.

### **Artsy Thursday**

**April 19<sup>th</sup>**

Children develop creativity, social skills and fine motor skills with open-ended art projects where they can make choices, use their imaginations, and create with their hands. On Artsy Thursday we will have Abakadoodle come in for a special art class with the kids.

### **Earth Day Friday**

**April 20<sup>th</sup>**

Children will learn about the impact that they can have on the environment. On this day we will learn about the three R's- Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, help clean up our playground and release ladybugs back into the environment.

**Don't forget to visit our website for the lunch menu, special event dates, reminders and so much more...**

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