



Infant Newsletter

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

Welcome back everyone and hello to those who are new to the Viera Children's Academy Family! We are excited and honored that you have entrusted us to care for your little ones. This month our attention will be focused on getting to know your little ones and understanding their feeding and sleeping patterns. Our infant classrooms each have developed lessons and activities that promotes interactive, hands-on activities that emphasizes the concepts we are learning about this month. In the infant classroom, we are teaching our babies sign language and Spanish. The infant teachers are so excited about this school year and we hope the little ones are too. Welcome everyone to Viera Children's Academy and let's have a great and safe school year!

- Butterfly and Beenie Teachers

"The littlest feet make the biggest footprints in your hearts!"

PREPARING FOR THE FIRST DAYS OF SCHOOLS

Going off to preschool is an important milestone for both you and your child. It may be their first step away from home or a transition to a new setting and friends. At the 4 and 5-year-old stages of development, "change" can bring a multitude of feelings and thoughts. Some children accept and enjoy change more than others. But it's not unusual for even the most "experienced" child to need some extra attention during the first days and weeks of school.

Here are a few simple steps you can take along the road to a great new year!

1. Visit the school or classroom before the first day.
2. Read good books about starting school. Literature is a great way to prompt a discussion about going off to school.
3. Talk to your child about his feelings about school, friends, teachers, and new activities
4. Practice, practice, practice! Learning how to get ready each morning for the trip to school takes time and practice.
5. Rehearse self-help skills such as dressing, undressing, and hand-washing. Your child will feel more confident when she's asked to do these things at school.
6. Make a portable family album. The process of making a photo album together is a bonding and comforting project.
7. Ask your child what kind of snack she wants to bring.

Go school shopping? Back-to-school clothes and items are popular with little kids

Monthly Theme

Theme of the Month: Learning about Ourselves and Others

Concept of the Month: Routines, Finger Play

Color of the Month: Yellow-Amarillo

Shape of the Month: Square

Letter of the Month: L, T, F

Numbers of the Month: 1

Fun Finger Play

Finger Play and rhymes come to life during circle and large group times as preschool children show word meaning through simple actions and finger movements. Preschoolers develop memory and recall skills as they sing and recite the songs and poems in this curriculum resource collection. The website below displays several short videos that demonstrates a number of finger play that the infant classroom teachers will be presenting to your child that are in both English and Spanish. Give them a try at home and see your child's eyes light up!

<http://www.rif.org/booksactivities/fingerplays/>



JUST A REMINDER

- We are a PEANUT-FREE school.
- Label ALL your child's belonging. This includes but is not limited to diapers, bottles, cups, clothing, sheets, etc.

Upcoming Events

August 1st, 2022- VCA CLOSED

August 2nd, 2022- FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

Teacher Communication

If there is ever anything you would like to discuss with your child's teacher, please feel free to contact them at your convenience. Your child's teacher can be reached through your ProCare Connect app.