



Preschool Newsletter

Dear Parents,

One of the highlights for this month is The Week of the Young Child which is April 12th - 16th. This is a week of activities to focus attention on the needs of young children under 5 years. It is sponsored by NAEYC, the National Association for the Education of Young Children and a great time for all of us to recommit and recognize our responsibilities to make their learning environment enjoyable, exciting and educational. We have a very exciting week planned to celebrate and highlight all our achievements.

Also this month we are exploring the world of science and will have many experimental activities in each of the weekly themes. Science is very important to children because it engages their curiosity, it provides tools for understanding everyday life and promotes critical thinking, problem-solving and creativity. Children will develop cognitive stimulation, logical thinking and reasoning skills vital tools in all walks of life! Math and science are closely related as they both involve measurement, estimation, prediction, classification, comparison etc promoting reasoning and understanding.

Some tips for Teaching Math

Use numbers or number-words, point out numbers and count in daily activities, e.g. setting the table. Measure and weigh ingredients and objects. Use adjectives; are they light or heavy, bigger and smaller, tall or short etc?

Collect a variety of materials that interest your child to count touching the corresponding object. Old keys, plastic bottle caps, rocks etc all work well. Collect them in a see-through bag and estimate how many and see who comes the closest. Introduce simple addition and subtraction, classify by shape, color etc or serialize size which comes 1st, next or last.

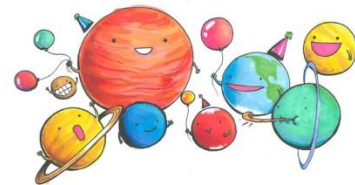
COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS

Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic that our country is facing, we have adapted in procedures to slow the spread of the corona virus.

- Curbside Pickup and Drop-off
- Temperature Check Stations
- Masks must be worn by parents
- Masks will be worn by all staff members
- Intensified cleaning procedures
- Set playground time to allow for adequate cleaning
- Social distancing
- Protective Counter Screen Guard
- Adjusted hours to allow teachers to clean classrooms for the next day (7:00am -5:30pm)
- Updated Policy and Waiver form to be signed by Parents before child's arrival to school.

In order to safely re-open VCA we need the full support and cooperation of all our families to effectively limit the potential transmission of the COVID-19 virus among our staff, students, and the local community.

HOW DO YOU ORGANIZE
A SPACE PARTY?



YOU PLANET.

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Monthly Theme

Week 1: Rhymes & Nursery Rhymes

Week 2: Week of the Young Child

Week 3: Plant life - gardening

Week 4: Bugs

Concept: Numerical Sets **Letters:** Y & Z

Color: purple/morado **Shape:** Oval

Numbers: 17 & 18

Photos



JUST A REMINDER

- Please wear a mask when picking up and dropping off your child at the center.
- 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.

Birthdays



To Jonathan on the 6th,
Cole on the 19th and Chloe On the 21st all in the
Giraffe room.

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.

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