



## Preschool Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Some of the highlights for this month are Celebrating Dr Seuss's Birthday and St. Patrick's Day. Dr Seuss was one of the greatest authors of all time especially for children. His books are entertaining, educational and very enjoyable. He introduces the children to rhyming, has wonderful unique illustrations and always has a moral to discuss in the story. We have a week of 'wacky' activities planned to mark his Birthday. March is National Nutrition Month and we will incorporate activities to highlight the importance of healthy eating.

We are also planning to become horticulturists and cultivate our class garden. This is an opportunity for the children to connect with nature, take care of living things with hands on interactive work and discovery. Gardening benefits young children in most areas of development including

**Math** - counting, sorting, classification and measurement.

**Science** - life cycles, observations, insects and worms etc

**Physical** - digging and planting which promotes hand-eye coordination and the pincer grasp, some prewriting skills.

**Language** - new vocabulary, letter recognition and reading labels and instructions.

**Social/Emotional** - responsibility, consequences, curiosity and patience!

The children will work as a team, doing something real, working through a process - beginning, middle and end while enjoying both the process and product.

Many Thanks - Ms. Denise, Ms. Maeve & Ms. Karen

### 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 Dropoff
- Temperature Check Stations
- Masks must be worn by parents
- Masks 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 keep VCA safely opened; 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.



# Monthly Theme

**Week 1:** Celebrating Dr Seuss

**Week 2:** Forest Animals

**Week 3:** Under the Sea

**Week 4:** Letters of the Alphabet

**Week 5:** Review

**Concept:** Sounds and Syllables    **Letters:** V, W & X

**Color:** Green /Verde

**Shape:** Rhombus    **Numbers:** 16

## 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.

## Upcoming Birthdays



Braxton on March 9<sup>th</sup>, Xavier March 11<sup>th</sup>, John March 14<sup>th</sup>, Matthew March 15<sup>th</sup>, Annabelle on March 24<sup>th</sup> and Jude on March 31<sup>st</sup>  
All in the Giraffe room...

## Photos



## 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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