



Happy  
Spring!

## Busy Bees May / June 2017 Newsletter

### FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK:

Happy May to all Busy Bees Families. The warm weather is finally here and we are so happy to enjoy this beautiful spring sunshine! Our caterpillars have arrived and we will be watching them go through their metamorphosis. It is so exciting to see them go through this transformation right before our eyes! This is an exciting time of year when we spend more time outdoors, have Field Day, Water Day, and get ready for our end of the year Family Picnic/Art Show. But it is also a bit emotional because we will be saying goodbye to some dear friends that will be moving on to Kindergarten, or other schools. We appreciate all the support and dedication families have given us. Each day spent with your children is a gift and we have enjoyed your children's enthusiasm, creativity, energy, laughter, and friendship.

### THANK YOU:

- To all the parents who shared their occupations with the students. Each visitor was engaging and exciting for the children to hear about. Thank you for taking the time out of your busy lives to touch the lives of these precious children.
- To Laura and Danny from Arbortech for our Arbor Day celebration. The children learned the importance of trees and they planted a Red Oak tree outside. The children are now expert tree planters. Each child received a Red Oak to plant and care for. We hope you were able to find a place for your tree. Make sure to keep watering them!

### MAY THEMES:

**Creative Art Exploration** (*This month's projects will be displayed at our family picnic/art show. You won't see too many projects in your bins this month. Please note: You may take them home after the picnic!*)

**Games Galore**

**Water Fun**

**Butterflies**

### IN HOUSE FIELD TRIPS:

**May 17<sup>th</sup> Musical Petting Zoo: MWF class: (instruments, not animals)**

The Musical Petting Zoo is a fun, informative demonstration and hands-on exhibit of musical instruments for children. The children will get a chance to play the instruments. We need as many parents as possible to stay and help with this field trip! Please let me know if you can stay and help! A sign up sheet will be posted on the parent board.

**Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup>**, Julie Symanski from Dance, Inc. will lead the children a high energy dance class that teaches rhythm, shape, agility and body awareness through music and movement. (This is rescheduled from February)

### LAST SCHOOL DAYS:

June 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> are the last days of school.



## **FAMILY PICNIC & ART SHOW: (RAIN OR SHINE)**

**Thursday June 8<sup>th</sup> and Friday June 9<sup>th</sup>**

THIS WILL BE HELD AT PINE KNOLL PARK, 1970 ALLEN STREET, SPRINGFIELD

9:30 ARRIVAL TIME FOR FAMILIES

10:00 ENTERTAINMENT

11:00-12:00 PICNIC LUNCH

Please pack a picnic lunch for your family. (Grandparents/ siblings welcome) We will follow the schedule above, **rain or shine**. There is a covered pavilion at the park. You may want to bring a blanket or cover for the ground to have an outdoor lunch. There are plenty of picnic tables for use as well. Also please note that this is **not** the Pine Knoll golf at Fenway.

### **FINAL TUITION PAYMENT FOR 2016-2017**

The final tuition payment for the 2016-2017 school year is due this month. **No payment is due in June.** Just a reminder that tuition payments are based on a yearly fee and broken down into 10 equal payments regardless of the amount of days in the month.

### **FIELD DAY: May 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> (rain dates May 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>)**

We are looking forward to our annual Field Day. We will be breaking the class up into small groups and we'll play all kinds of games throughout the morning. Please make sure you put sun block on your child that day. We would love to have at least 6 volunteers to help lead the games. We would also love a photographer and a timer. A sign up is on the parent board. Thank you!

**A COUPLE OF NEAT APPS :** The program we use to teach beginning handwriting is called "Handwriting Without Tears" There are two apps that help with handwriting that a specialist recommended. They are called, **Writing Wizard and Letter School**. Give it a try and let me know what you think!

### **BUBBLE AND WATER DAY EXPLORATION: June 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>(rain dates June 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>)**

We will be bringing our water toys and bubble equipment outside for a day of fun and surprises. Please wear comfortable clothing every day, but especially on field day and water day. (Sunblock too!)

### **SOME SUMMER BEES INFORMATION:**

**Busy Bees session 1 is full and session 2 is almost full.** Session 3 has room still. The registration forms are out. If you would like to enroll your child please return the paperwork by May 15<sup>th</sup> so we can get our plans underway! (We will still take registrations after this date if there are openings) This program is open to anyone 2.9 years- age 5. They do not need to be enrolled at Busy Bees Pre-School to attend. Please help spread the word! Those who have enrolled will be receiving more detailed information soon.

Sincerely,

Marna Shields

