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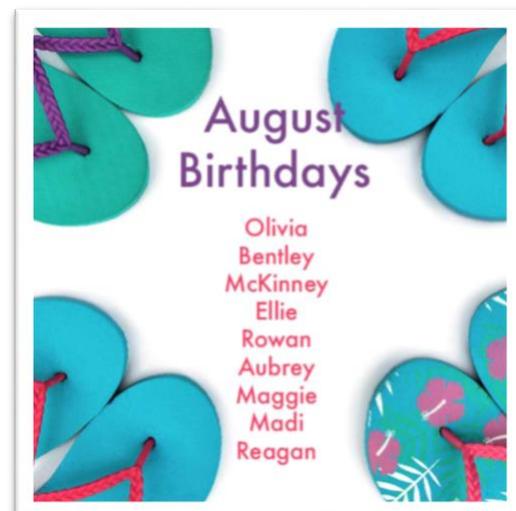
HELLO to our families!

Summer has officially started! Our garden, which was planted last month, is healthy and growing. Tomatoes should be ripe in a few months, followed by the green beans, with our squash being ready to pick this fall. YUM!

Read on for news from our neck of the woods:

Preschool Graduation

Our Pre-K group caps their year of pre-kindergarten learning activities with a graduation party at the end of July. The event, which includes a concert by the students and a cap-and-gown ceremony, is always a proud occasion for the graduates and their families. We look forward to giving our bright, industrious children a special send-off to kindergarten, with all of our best hopes and wishes for them as they begin their journey through elementary school. We will miss them so!





Moving On Up...

Every August, after the pre-K group has moved on to kindergarten, our remaining students are re-grouped into Circle Groups that are based on their kindergarten entry year. The groups consist of students who will go to kindergarten in Fall 2020, Fall 2021, Fall 2022, etc. These groups of peers are together for daily Circle Times and small-group curriculum activities. Each year, they move up until they are in their final year of preschool, as the Pre-Kindergarten Group. When the move is made in August, your child's new Circle Time teacher will be sure to let you know.



Parent/Teacher Conferences

Our annual parent-teacher conferences will be held in July and August. Our pre-K teacher, Frannie, is currently assessing her students and will be holding their conferences later in July. Graduate parents will receive their children's development portfolio, to keep, at the end of their conference. We will contact parents of the graduates to arrange conferences. Ashni, Connie, and Kathy will hold conferences with parents of our remaining students in August. Information and sign-ups for these conferences will be posted at the entry counter in mid-July. We are looking forward to sharing and planning with you for your child's successful preschool experience. It's always a joy to sit down and talk about your wonderful children!

Reading Readiness

The preschool years are a time of great exploration and discovery. Every experience is an opportunity for learning, whether at school or at home. There are things you can do now that will greatly enhance your child's future success as a reader. The link below has a concise and developmentally appropriate checklist of reading readiness activities you, as a parent, can incorporate into your daily life. Read, talk, and sing with your children. Although your child has many of the same opportunities here at preschool, remember that you are their most important and influential teacher!

www.fyi.extension.wisc.edu/parentingthepreschooler/learning-and-changing/reading-readiness/

Summertime Fun

We will be enjoying lots of summer activities at preschool - water exploration, sand and water mixing play, outdoor science experiments, working in the garden, and we hope that you and your children have some great summertime experiences, enjoying all that our area offers during this time of year! Happy Summer!



Reminders:

School will be closed for the following days so please mark your calendars:

Independence Day, Thursday, July 4

Labor Day Monday, September 2

Columbus Day Monday, October 14

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