



Collegeville
May 2012



Play & Learn Press



Q: Why did the boy eat his math homework?
Stumped? [CLICK HERE](#) for the Answer!

Dear Parents,

Recapping April: We had a fun time hunting for eggs and finding surprises inside! Also – our toddlers, preschoolers, and kindergarteners did a lot of “digging in the dirt” and planting grass, corn, and marigolds as the children learned about how plants and flowers grow. WOTYC was fun and eventful as we recognized parents and teachers for all they do to make learning fun and the special care they give to our children. Miss Eileen, the Perk Valley librarian, visited and read the book Stop Snoring Bernard! to promote early literacy. We also focused on nutrition, fun & fitness throughout the week. The children were mesmerized during Family Stages’ performance of “Strega Nona and the Magic Pasta Pot”.

In May, our theme is “Let’s Pretend” and we will enjoy using our imaginations to create and to be whoever we want to be! We will celebrate our mothers and create with love a special gift for her. The Pioneers and Adventurers have invited their mothers to come to a pot-luck dinner hosted by Miss Chrissy, Miss Carol, and Miss Desiree.

Jill

What's Happening at Our Center?

We will be hatching baby chicks this month with the help of Quiver Farm who will assist in setting up the incubators and eggs and discuss the hatching process with the children. We are all very excited!! We also are beginning our new system for buying lunch. Starting April 30th anyone wanting to buy lunch for his/her child, will sign up on the “Bill Me” form in the classroom and your account will be billed \$2 for each lunch. It’s so much more convenient!!

JOIN US AT THE ZOO!

Play & Learn's
6th Annual Family Night at the
Elmwood Park Zoo
May 18, 2012
5:30-8:30pm
(Rain Date June 1st)



NEW!! SCAVENGER HUNT **NEW!! DJ DANCE PARTY** **NEW!! KONA ICE**
MOON BOUNCES **FACE PAINTING** **PONY RIDES** **AND MORE!!**

CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS ONLINE!!

For a printable order form, **CLICK HERE**

All proceeds benefit the Granny Scholarship Fund, a temporary tuition assistance program for families facing financial difficulty.



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Graduation

Our Pre-K and Kindergarten graduation will take place at St. James Episcopal Church on June 14th at 6:30 PM. More information coming soon!

Spotlight on...Camp Kaleidoscope!

We are all looking forward to summer camp, which is right around the corner! We have some really fun and exciting activities lined up including pony rides, dog show, face painting, super water slide, Mr. Dave the Music Guy, the Montgomery Co. Book Mobile, and much more!! Water play, arts & crafts, sports and games, and lots of picnics will also be happening throughout the summer. We look forward to a fantastic summer!!

Camp T-Shirt Sale

Order your child's camp t-shirt now! *Campers will be wearing these shirts on all field trips.* [CLICK HERE](#) or see your director for an order form.

Progress Reports

Progress reports will be sent home during the month for all age groups. If you wish to schedule a conference with your child's teacher, please see your Director.

Important Dates

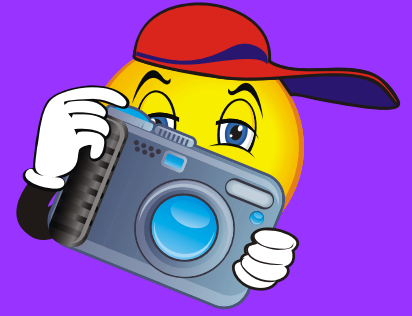
- 5/1 Chick Hatching Project!
- 5/7 Lil Sports
- 5/9 Black & White Day
- 5/14 Mother's Day Pot-Luck (Pre-K & Kindergarten)
- 5/14 Lil Sports
- 5/17 Music with Miss Heather
- 5/18 Goin' To The Zoo!!
- 5/28 CLOSED – Memorial Day

** Computer Tots is every Tuesday morning and Head Start Sports is every Wednesday morning. NOTE: No Head Start Sports on May 16th.

CONGRATULATIONS!! Nolan Scott Schneider was born April 12th to Kelli and Scott and big sister Adalyn (Caterpillar Room). Baby Nolan will join our Play and Learn family in June!

Happy Birthday To...

- 5/2 Lauren K.
- 5/3 Amelia S.
- 5/5 Andrew J.
- 5/11 Adalyn S.
- 5/18 Samantha C.
- 5/29 Kenslee O.
- 5/29 Justin K.
- 5/30 Roman C.



Don't forget to check the
PHOTOS
section of the PALs site for
new monthly pictures!

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High Reach Monthly Theme: Let's Pretend






High Reach Weekly Topics: (1) I Can Use Sound to Create and Imitate (2) I Can Show What I am Thinking

(3) I Can Use My Body (4) I Can Use Stories

Scott Foresman Weekly Topics: (1) The House in the Meadow (2) Dig! (3) We Need Construction Workers (4) Muncha! Muncha! Muncha!

(5) Homes A-Z Letters of the Month: (1) Vv (2) Zz (3) Yy (4) Qq

Kindergarten: See classroom for lesson plans.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 What is sound? Using Instruments CHICK HATCHING PROJECT COMPUTER TOTS 	2 Using Music HEAD START SPORTS 	3 Using my Voice	4 Using Rhythm 	5 Cinco de Mayo
6 	7 By Using Toys LIL SPORTS 	8 By Using Art Materials COMPUTER TOTS  Explorers Make 'Zebras at the Zoo'	9 Classroom Art Shows BLACK & WHITE DAY  HEAD START SPORTS	10 By Using Building Materials Butterflies Play 3 Little Pigs	11 Let's Get Creative! Cuddle Bugs Meet Bonita Butterfly	12 
13 	14 For Games PreK/Kindergarten MOTHER'S DAY POT-LUCK! LIL SPORTS 	15 Play Your Favorite Games COMPUTER TOTS  Pioneers Make Zoo Animal Puppets	16 To Show How I Feel Caterpillars Make Zoo Animal Masks	17 For Role-Play MUSIC WITH MISS HEATHER 	18 Put On A Play GOING TO THE ZOO!!! 	19
20 	21 What is a story? Explorers Flannel Board Story	22 Draw a Picture Telling a Story COMPUTER TOTS 	23 To Tell About Me HEAD START SPORTS  Adventurers: Blooming Students Project	24 Write a Story About Your Family	25 To Pretend To Be Someone or Something Else	26 
27 	28 Centers Closed for Memorial Day	29 COMPUTER TOTS 	30 HEAD START SPORTS 	31		

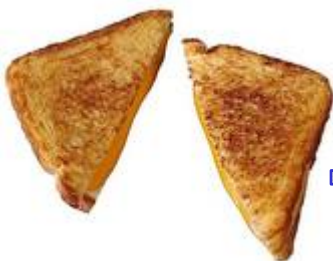
LUNCH MENU



All lunches are served with a fruit or vegetable and a drink (milk, juice or water).

Please sign up by 9:30 am daily. Your account will be billed \$2.00 per lunch. We recommend packing a small side of something your child enjoys!

MONDAY...Grilled Cheese Sandwich



TUESDAY...Soy Butter/Jelly Sandwich



WEDNESDAY...Chicken Nuggets

THURSDAY...Diced Hot Dog



FRIDAY...Pizza



Play & Learn Snack Calendar

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
WEEK 1	Rice Krispies Cereal and Milk	Pears and Cheese Slices	Fruit Yogurt and Cheerios	Corn Muffin and Milk	Banana and Cereal	AM SNACK
	Cottage Cheese and Peaches	Graham Crackers and Juice	Carrot Sticks with Dip and Pretzel Rods	Cracker Medley and Applesauce	Tortilla Chips and Salsa	PM SNACK
WEEK 2	Whole Grain Bagel w/ Cream Cheese and Pineapple	Fruit Yogurt and Juice	Fruit Cereal Bar and Juice	Bread w/ Butter or Jelly and Fruit Cocktail	Apple Slices and Cheese	AM SNACK
	Wheat Crackers and Apple Slices	Goldfish Crackers and Peaches	Pretzels and Juice	Cheerios and Milk	Whole Wheat Soft Pretzel and Peaches	PM SNACK
WEEK 3	Pretzel Goldfish and Orange Slices	Cheerios and Milk	Graham Crackers and Juice	Apple Slices w/ Soybutter	Fruit Yogurt and Cheerios	AM SNACK
	1/2 Soy Butter Sandwich	Wheat Crackers and Cheese Stick	Pretzel Wheels and Cucumbers	Whole Grain Bagel w/ Cream Cheese and Pineapple	Rice Krispies Cereal and Milk	PM SNACK
WEEK 4	Fruit Cereal Bar and Milk	Pretzel Rods and Juice	Rice Krispies Cereal and Milk	Yogurt and Fruit Cocktail	Bread w/ Butter or Jelly and Applesauce	AM SNACK
	Mini Whole Wheat Bagel and Cheese Slice	1/2 Soy Butter Sandwich	Peaches and Cheese	Tortilla Chips and Juice	Pretzel Thins and Apple Slices	PM SNACK

**Subject to change based on availability.*