



Preschool
May 2012



Play & Learn Press



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

Dear Parents,

I'm not sure everyone appreciated the few 'Summer Weather' days we had this Spring besides the children. Please make sure your child has weather appropriate clothing in his/her cubbies. I hope that everyone has a wonderful Mother's Day and you get a chance to really relax and enjoy! Don't forget the center is closed May 28th for Memorial Day. Please ask Miss Amy if you have a problem as she will be able to get in touch with me so that I can still help you if needed. Hope I'll be back by early June. Have a safe holiday!

Joan

Thank You!

A special thank you to all the parents, aunts/uncles and grandparents who came in during the "Week of the Young Child" and read or did projects with the children!

Graduation

The Pioneer Lions will be graduating on June 1st at 1:30pm on the playground. Parents and family are invited to share this fantastic day! Don't forget your camera!!

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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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.

Spotlight On...Camp Kaleidoscope

Camp Kaleidoscope begins June 18th!! The children will be spending a lot of time outdoors playing various sports and games, open ended arts and crafts, and water play. We will have picnic days, several fun in-house trips and more! We are still enrolling, so it's not too late to tell your friends and neighbors and have them join you at Camp Kaleidoscope!

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.

Important Dates to Remember

May 1st & 15th - Lil' Sports
May 3rd - Trip to Kid's Castle...9 A.M. Pioneers & Adventurers
May 7th - Pete Moses
May 13th - HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!
May 17th - Last Day to Purchase Discount Zoo Tickets in AM
May 18th - Night at the Zoo! 5:30 P.M.-8:30 P.M.
May 28th- Memorial Day!...CENTER CLOSED
Kindergarten Graduation - June 1st at 1:30pm
Spring Show - June 7th!

Tuesdays - Lil' Sport A.M.

Wednesdays- Head Starts Sports A.M.

Thursdays - Computer Tots A.M.

Reminders...

1. Be aware: Now that the weather is nice, please Do Not allow your children to wear open toed sandals, Flip-Flops or clog /backless shoes or shoes with high heels to school as they are very dangerous footwear for our playground.
2. Now that it is 'Tick' Season check your child/ren every night for these pesky creatures.
3. Please send in Sunblock for your child, we will apply as needed.
4. If breakfast is not given at home, please make sure to bring breakfast to the center with enough time for your child to be finished eating by 8:00 a.m.
5. It is EXTREMELY important that you LABEL EVERYTHING of your child's that is brought to school. LABEL each item & the bag holding the items.



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 Owl Monthly Theme: Make it Move



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

Owl Weekly Topics: (1) Every Which Way- What are the different ways things move? (2) Push and Pull-What can we do to make things move?

(3) Wind Power- How does wind make things move? (4) Moving Machines-How do machines help up move things? Number of the Month: 10

Letter of the Month: Zz Community Helper: Teacher Color: Gray Shape: Hexagon

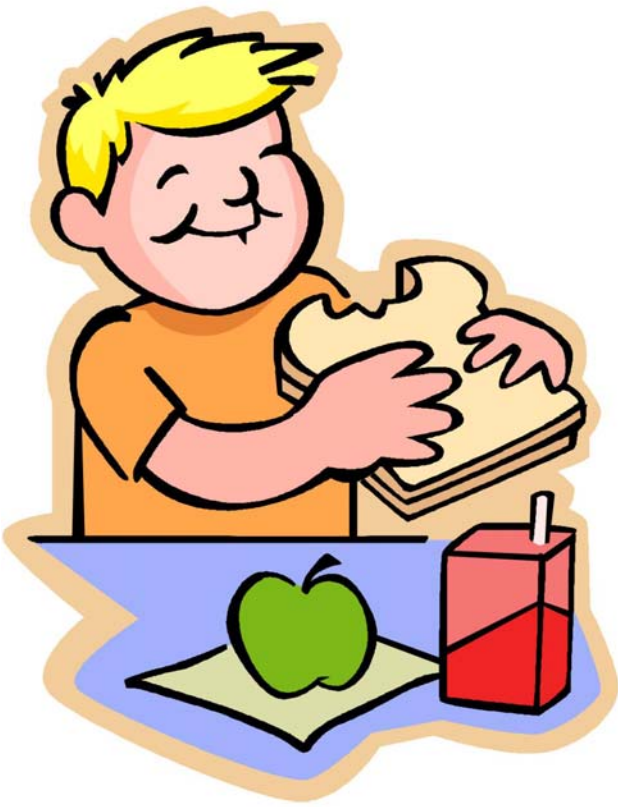
Scott Foresman Weekly Topics: (1) The House in the Meadow (2) Dig! (3) We Need Construction Workers (4) Muncha! Muncha! Muncha!

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

Kindergarten: See classroom lesson plans.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<p>1 What is sound? Using Instruments Create a town with blocks</p> <p>LIL' SPORTS</p>	<p>2 Using Music Things we find inside/outside</p>	<p>3 Using my Voice Tools/Mini-book Field Trip to Kid's Castle 9:00 A.M. (Adventurers and</p>	<p>4 Using Rhythm This is my job... (What I want to be)</p> 	<p>5 Cinco de Mayo</p>
<p>6</p> 	<p>7 By Using Toys Places and things</p> <p>PETE MOSES</p> 	<p>8 By Using Art Materials Count the parts</p>	<p>9 Classroom Art Shows Healthy foods</p>	<p>10 By Using Building Materials Living and Non-Living</p>	<p>11 Let's Get Creative! Parts of a plant</p> 	<p>12</p>
<p>13</p> 	<p>14 For Games Using pictographs to chart What we think will sink or float</p>	<p>15 Play Your Favorite Games Identify types of Tools workers use</p> <p>LIL' SPORTS</p> 	<p>16 To Show How I Feel What is happening In our community? (Observe on the Way to school)</p>	<p>17 For Role-Play Sink or float Mini-book</p>	<p>18 Put On A Play Make a skyline With sponge painting</p> <p>WE'RE GOING TO THE ZOO!</p> 	<p>19</p>
<p>20</p> 	<p>21 What is a story? Counting & grouping by attributes (Compare Mr. McGreely to the Bunny)</p>	<p>22 Draw a Picture Telling a Story Make Mr. McGreely puppets</p>	<p>23 To Tell About Me Living and Non-Living Mini-book</p>	<p>24 Write a Story About Your Family Identify common features in the home and school environment</p>	<p>25 To Pretend To Be Someone or Something Else Create and end to our story. How could end differently</p>	<p>26</p>
<p>27</p> 	<p>28 Centers Closed for Memorial Day</p>	<p>29 Letter bingo</p> 	<p>30 Make a list of types Of homes</p>	<p>31 Let's compare Mini-book</p>		

LUNCH MENU



All lunches are served with a fruit .
Please sign up daily and your account
will be billed \$2.00 per lunch.
We recommend packing
a small side of something your child
enjoys!

TUESDAY....Chicken Nuggets



WEDNESDAY... Pizza

THURSDAY...Grilled Cheese



FRIDAY....Hot Dog

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.*