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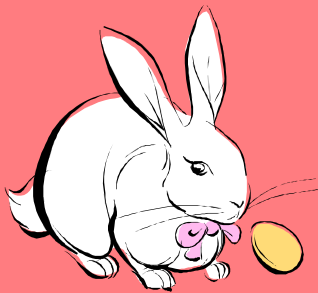
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## Dates to Remember:

- April: Registration Renewal Begins
- Saturday the 24th: Parents' Night Out 4 to 10pm
- Monday the 26th thru Friday the 30: Buy One, Get One Free Scholastic Book Fair



Hi all and welcome April! I don't know if you've noticed but our menus have changed a little bit. We are trying to use more fresh ingredients and fruits and vegetables that are in season. Nutrition plays a large role in young children's development and sets up good habits that can and *will* last a lifetime. Please know that when introducing new foods to young children, it sometimes takes up to 10 times (or more) of "tasting" it before they actually like it. This is because their palates are still developing, just as they are, and are not as sophisticated yet. They *will* like asparagus and actually ask for it...someday. One thing we like to *teach* our teachers is to always try everything on your plate and to never turn up your nose or make a comment like "peas are gross" around the children in your class. This sets the children up to think that "peas are gross" and therefore to not even try them. We are important role models and must remember that they are always watching and learning from us. As always, if you have any suggestions, feel free to contact myself or Carol and we will definitely get a dialog going. Also feel free to suggest a favorite meal or snack as we are always looking for fresh ideas.

As always, thank you for your continued support and for entrusting us with your children each day!

*Lisa*

*Enrich the day, brighten the future.™*



# INFANT NEWS

## Stephanie's News

Spring is here! Time to get outside and get some fresh air. We will be going outside everyday, so please make sure your child has a hat and sunscreen here at school. Thank you for coming to your child's Parent-Teacher conference. Also, a big thank you to those who came to the "Let's Get Together Breakfast". The children always enjoy getting to spend some extra time with their parents.

We would like to wish Jaidyn a Happy 1st Birthday on April 10 and a Happy Birthday to Connie on April 14th.

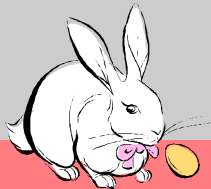
As always, thank you for letting us be a part of your child's life and entrusting us with them. Happy Spring!

Stephanie, Mercedes and Connie

## Danielle's News



Someone is out picking the beautiful flowers of Spring!



# YOUNG TODDLER NEWS

## Lisa's News

Dear Parents,

Happy Spring! We want to start by saying thank you to all of you who have been very patient and understanding with us these last few weeks. Injuries and illnesses have taken their toll. Please note that Ms. Lisa is going to cut back her hours so that she can better take care of herself as her pregnancy progresses and will be leaving at 1:00pm everyday. Ms. Nicole will working with us everyday for now to keep our staffing as consistent for your children as possible.

This month we would like to wish Noah, Asha, and Julia a very happy birthday and congratulations to Nadia, who became a big sister on March 15th.

We are looking forward to a month that will be filled with fun, spring activities and outdoor fun and good health!

Lisa, Susan, and Nicole

## Jennifer's News

April showers bring May flowers!

First of all, we would like to thank everyone who was able to attend the "Let's Get Together Breakfast". The kids enjoyed starting off the day eating breakfast with their mommies and daddies.

April is going to be an awesome month and we have a lot of fun things planned. Our theme for the month is Nature. We will be going on nature walks– collecting twigs, leaves, sticks and rocks. We are also planning a field trip to the Zoo. It will be on Friday, April 23rd and will be an afternoon trip. We ask that your child is picked up at La Luz by 2:30pm so that we are able to meet at the zoo at 3pm. A letter will be sent out the first week of April with more details.

The last week of April we are going to "camp out". A tent is going to be pitched in the classroom so that the kids will be able to play in it throughout the day. If your child has a kid size sleeping bag, you are more then welcome to bring it in, in place of their naptime mat. We will have fun camping activities planned for each day that week; such as: smores, pajama day, fishing, bear hunts, etc. It's going to be so much fun!

Ms. Jennifer, Ms. Angie, Ms. Christinia



# OLDER TODDLER NEWS

## Mona's News

Dear Parents-

We want to start by saying "Thank you!" to everyone who attended our Let's Get Together Breakfast. It was great to see you all in our room. I also want to thank everyone for meeting for Parent-Teacher conferences. It was nice to get to talk to you all about your children.

We also want to say a very special "THANK YOU SO MUCH!" to Ms. Denise. We loved having her in our class while Ms. Ana and Ms. Mona were out. We are going to miss her! And while it's a good thing she is right next door in the Infant room, it is nice to have ALL of teachers back.

Next, we want to remind you of a few IMPORTANT dates in April:

- April 1st at 10am we will be going to UNM for "The Adventures of Harold and the Purple Crayon".
- April 7th we are going to wear our favorite color.

We want to WELCOME Phuong-Nghi, her cousin, Lana, and their families to our class. We are excited to have them joining us.

Finally, our curriculum this month will be Chicks, Colors, Earth Day, and Number Recognition. Last month the children had fun making bunnies, mailing letters to Grandma/ Grandpa, painting turtles and finishing letters. By now they all know most if not all of their letters. We just need to keep working with them to help them master this skill as they have done with so many previous skills.

Sincerely-

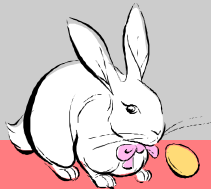
MS. Mona, Ms. Ana. Ms. Lindsay

## Arlene's News

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# PRESCHOOL NEWS

## Emma's News

Hello Parents and Friends! March was fun with Picture Day and Parent/Teacher Conferences. Thanks to all who joined us for the Let's Get Together Breakfast. It really is fun to get together and just chat. April will be fun, too. We will be celebrating Earth Day on April 23rd, and parents are invited to join us. We will have a sign up sheet for food and more posted two weeks before our celebration.

During the month of April, we will discuss Our Planet Earth. The curriculum is as follows:

-1st week: F~ Farms

-2nd week: L~ Land and Water

-3rd week: Y~ Yarn Projects

-4th week: W~ World

Thank you!

Ms. Emma, Ms. Lissett, Ms. Matilda

## Lynsey's News

Parents,

Thank you so much for joining your children in class for the "Let's Get Together Breakfast". It really was a good way to start the day!

April brings us a relatively calm month which gives us ample time to prepare for a hectic May. The only main event we have taking place in April is a field trip on the 19th to see Mrs. Piggie Wiggle at the Kimo Theater. The performance is put on by the New Mexico Young Actors which is a children's theater company that has been in Albuquerque for 30 years. This should be a great event and a very unique experience for the children. Details will be emailed shortly.

Please send in an infant photo of your son or daughter to be used for our graduation slide show. We will return your photo to you as soon as it has been scanned. If you prefer, you can e-mail your photo to Kristin (mergirl83@yahoo.com) and she will directly insert it. On that note, does anyone have access to a projector that can connect to a computer for a Power Point show?

Finally, here is a little preview of May events so you can start marking them on your calendars:

May 14– Graduation

May 17– Dance Performance

May 31– Memorial Day– SCHOOL CLOSED

~Lynsey

P.S.– We still need more 1 and 2 liter plastic bottles please!



# PRE-K NEWS

## Mary Jo's News

Dear Families and Friends,

Spring is finally here and we can't wait to celebrate its return. March certainly caused its share of weather problems in the beginning of the month, but April should be full of sunshine and flowers. Speaking of sunshine, remember to put sunscreen on your child each morning before they arrive. We will put sunscreen on in the afternoon after rest time. Most of the sunscreen is outdated. Please ensure that yours is still effective. Also, check on your extra clothes and replace winter items.

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend our Parent Breakfast. It was great seeing you all and being able to spend time with everyone.

Everyone in class is doing great. Have you noticed all the alphabet certificates on the wall? Our number practice is proceeding faster than we anticipated. You have taught your children well.

One month until graduation! Isn't it hard to believe? I am sure you have heard your children practicing our special songs. Ms. Alyssa has been doing a lot of practice in the afternoons with the class. They sound great when singing together. If you have any questions about graduation, please feel free to ask.

This month we will be learning about a variety of fun topics. The first week will be devoted to pond life, followed by rainbows and weather, pets, and everyone's favorite—creepy crawlies. If you have anything special to share with the class, please feel free to stop by. We always welcome you.

With the warmer weather, we ask that you please remember our class policy about summer shoes. We ask that all footwear have covered toes and straps around ankles or heels. Also, no "croc" type shoes. If your child insists on wearing these types of shoes, please bring or keep a pair of other shoes for outside play. We want to keep your child safe at school and with your help, we will be able to do so.

Have a great month!

Ms. Mary Jo   Ms. Janice   Ms. Alyssa

## Kristin's News

Hiya Everyone! April is here and so is the beginning of learning all about numbers. The kids did AMAZING picking up the letters and sounds of the letters in the alphabet. Now we will start practicing writing and counting more and more numbers. Also, the month of April will focus all around In My Garden and some awesome creatures will be coming to class. Ms. Lana, Ian's mom, will be helping us build an incubator and hatching chicks. We will also be watching the metamorphosis of butterflies and ladybugs. It is a surprise for the kids though, shhh!

April 19th is a field trip day! We will be going to see Mrs. Piggle Wiggle at the Kimo Theater at 10am. We will meet there at 9:40 am and come back to school for lunch after.

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Thank you to all of you who joined us for the Parent Breakfast. We loved having you in class with us.

Have a great month!

Kristin, Diana, Alison