

The Children's Center

Preschool News & Info



Week of Feb. 20, 2012

PARENTS of 4-5 year olds:

Kindergarten registration for children who will be 5 years old by Sept. 1st, 2012 will be held at Brookside Education Center

Tuesday, Feb 28th 5-7pm

OR

Thursday, March 1st 5-7pm.

Bring a copy of your child's birth certificate that the school can keep in your child's records! If you are unable to attend, please register at your neighborhood school.

Sunshine Parents:

We are in need of 6 volunteers to help us out on Friday, March 9th, 9:30-11:00am with our silent symphony.

The children will listen to a poem and music and will create art with the music! If you are able to help out please let one of the teachers know! Thank you!

- Parent involvement is very important in children's learning and we encourage you to communicate often with your child's teachers. You may call the Main site at (507)373-7979 or 379-9505 for the St. John's site. You may also e-mail the classrooms, as well as talking with the teachers at drop off and pick up times, whatever is convenient for you.

"90% of a child's brain development happens before the age of 5."

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Attention Parents:

- **Moonbeam Room:**
Don't forget if you would like to bring valentines we have 14 friends!
- **Blue Sky Room:**
Don't forget to come have snack on Tuesday at 2:45pm! If you would like to bring valentines please bring 19 to share!
- **Sunshine Room:**
We have 25 friends if you would like to bring valentines!
- **Kangaroo Club:**
If you would like to bring valentines there are 19 friends in our room!

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Preschool Themes

Moonbeam Room: moonbeam@alchildrenscenter.org

Weekly Theme: **Dentist and Our Friend**

This week we will learn all about the dentist! We will read all about our favorite characters going to the dentist and taking care of our teeth! We will talk about germs, ask your child about 'Cinnamon Magic!' We will also learn about healthy foods to eat and try vegetables with ranch dip!

Blue Sky Room: bluesky@alchildrenscenter.org

Weekly Theme: **Unique Week**

This week the children helped decide what we learn about each day! We will have different themes for dressing each day! Monday is rainbow day, Tuesday is silly hat day, Wednesday is favorite tee shirt day, Thursday is wacky clothes day and Friday is silly hair day! We will be doing all sorts of fun activities this week! We will practice our shapes, patterns, sorting and retelling stories! We will do some fun activities building towers with 6 blocks and blob painting to show symmetry! We will even make taco nachos for snack!

Sunshine Room: sunshine@alchildrenscenter.org

Weekly Theme: **Presidents and Money**

This week we are learning about the Presidents of the USA! Please bring in some change so we can look at the different presidents on our money! We will learn about George Washington and Abraham Lincoln and make 'I cannot tell a lie cherry pies' for snack!

Kangaroo Club: kangarooclub@alchildrenscenter.org

Weekly Theme: **Dental Health**

This week is all about our healthy teeth! We will do an experiment with hard boiled eggs in pop, mouthwash and vinegar to see what could happen to our teeth! We will read about our favorite characters with loose teeth and visiting the dentist! We will learn about foods that are healthy and unhealthy and even get to make apple smiles for snack!

Attention Parents:

- **Moonbeam Room:**
Help me brush my teeth!
- **Blue Sky Room:**
Be on the look out for wacky dress themes!
- **Sunshine Room:**
Let's look at money together!
- **Kangaroo Club:**
Let's learn about our teeth!
- **All Parents:**
Read aloud to your child daily. Ask questions about the story or guess what might happen.

Spanish:

**Wednesdays at St. John's
Fridays at Main**

Weekly Theme: **El cuerpo**

We will sing "Cabeza, hombros, rodillas, pies" (Head, Shoulders, knees and toes) to Sr.

Amarillo and play a game to practice all of our body parts in Spanish!

El cuerpo (qu-air-poe)—the body

Cabeza (ka-bay-sa) —head

Hombros (ohm-bros)—shoulders

Rodillas (row-dee-ahs) —knees

Pies (pee-ace)—feet

Ojos (oh-hos)—eyes

Orejas (oh-ray-has) —ears

Boca (bow-ka)—mouth

Y (ee)—and

Nariz (nar-eece)—nose