



# August News 2018



## Violet Room News

The summer is in full swing in the Violet Room. July was a very busy and fun-filled month. We welcomed Henry, Isaac and Jillian into the Violet room. We spent a lot of time in the sprinklers and playing in the water and on the playground. We also explored the “summer” theme and enjoyed eating watermelon. We learned about different animals that live in the ocean. This was followed by a camping theme which culminated with making s’mores. Finally we ended the month by turning our dramatic play area into a construction site.

In August we will turn the classroom into a carnival. Activities will include face painting and balloon animals (courtesy of Freckles the Clown). We will end the month with a unit on zoo animals. Please remember to send your child to school wearing sunscreen, especially on bright, sunny days. Happy Birthday this month to Angelica, Isaac, Gavin and Tatum! Best wishes to our friends who will be moving on to either the blue or green rooms in September. It has been wonderful working with the Violet Room children and families. Finally thank you to all of the Violet Room families for your support throughout the year. It has truly been a pleasure working with all of you.

*~Ms. Chris, Ms. Erica, Mr. Tyler, and Ms. Kathy*



## Blue Room News

Summer is flying by and we have been enjoying every minute of it! Our themes this summer have focused on Under the Sea, Summer Fun, Ice Cream, Camping, County Fair and Moving On! We have enjoyed learning new science concepts/vocabulary, working on number skills and letter-sound relationships. We turned our dramatic play area into an ice cream shop and a campground. If any parents have pictures of their child's new school, please send them to us. We will be spending our last week discussing our new classrooms and moving on to kindergarten. It has been a fabulous year in the Blue Room and we are will miss this class dearly! Thank you parents for sharing your children with us and being so supportive throughout the year!

Oh and one last note, Happy Birthday Miss Karen!

*~Ms. Kathryn, Ms. Renee, Ms. Jenna, & Ms. Karen*

## Bizzy Beez Activity Center

Join us as the Bizzy Beez staff takes your child on a SENSORrational journey. Some activities include: *The Xtreme Board, The Smart Trainer, The Serenity Room, The Air Walker Swing, and The Omi Vista Interactive Floor!*

Saturdays 9:00am - 10:30am  
\$5 per child



## IMPORTANT ZEBRA DATES

July 9~August 17- Summer Program

August 20~24- Wrap Around Available

August 25~September 4- School Closed

September 5- Classes Begin for 2018/19





## Green Room News

It's hard to believe that we are almost through summer program. Time flies when you're having fun! The children very much enjoyed turning our classroom into a campsite and a picnic area. The Lemonade Stand was a total hit. The children got great practice in many areas including: asking and answering questions, pouring, counting, and teamwork.

As August begins we will be finishing our ocean unit. There has been a huge interest in ocean animals, especially sharks and whales. Following that, we will get to learn about and emulate various artists and their styles.

Our last week together will be a free-choice week within our normal schedule (with a bit more flexibility). In addition, a chart will be created of each friend's school or classroom for next year. Countdown calendars will be created and sent home to help make the change a bit more predictable. Please email Ms. Carol (carols@spottedzebra.org) with your child's school name/classroom color and start date for the 2018-2019 school year no later than August 6th.

Before we close, we would like to wish Olivia (9th) and Toby (13th) a very happy birthday!!

*~Ms. Carol, Ms. Carrie, Ms. Lindsay, and Ms. Liz*



## Sand Box News

We are flying through our Superflex and Social Town curriculum here in the Playing in the Sandbox Group! Our "Superheroes in Training" have successfully defeated the Rock Brain, Glass Man and the Destroyer of Fun (aka D.O.F.). Rock Brain makes you get stuck on doing only what you want to do and doesn't let you compromise. He will use one solution that doesn't work over and over. Superflex and his flexible brain overcame these Unthinkables using positive self-talk and trying new strategies to be flexible in all situations.

Our tiny superheroes have also mastered the art of "Whole Body Listening" here in the classroom. We have also teamed up with Kool Q. Cumber and Inventor of Fun in order to defeat our biggest Unthinkables yet. Kool Q. Cumber helps us to keep our cool and use our words to express how we are feeling or if we need extra help from friends or adults to solve problems. Inventor of Fun uses good sportsmanship skills to keep us calm and enjoying game play with our friends.

We will channel our Superflex confidence to defeat Brain Eater, Mean Jean, and Worry Wall. We will do a special Show & Tell for all our superheroes this month. We are always looking forward to our wearing our capes, masks and shields during specials such as Superhero Parades, Flexible Brain Gym activities, and Fun Fridays!

We can't wait for our last week's Superhero celebration with a special visit from Superflex himself!

*~Ms. Liz, Ms. Kaylyn, Ms. Katina, and Ms. Lucia*



## Speckled Zebra News

As we enter our second half of the Speckled Summer Program, we will continue to explore our letters, numbers, and colors. We will also be working on expanding our words/sentences, asking/answering questions, and requesting items/activities all while playing, singing and just having fun! From frogs on a log to balloon tennis, we will be enjoying more sensory activities to increase our vocabularies and our turn-taking skills. We will be enjoying crafts such as bubble wrap feet painting, sensory bags, and coffee filter butterflies. Get ready for some colorful and creative creations coming your way!

*~Ms. Michelle, Nana Karen & Mr. Jason*

We would like to give a Special Thanks to Dave Tatum, Richard Barry, Myles of Smyles, and Maddies Mark for our new beautiful garden and bench inside our playground. Thank you!

