



# April News 2017



## Violet Room News

Spring has arrived! It has been a snow-filled winter and we are ready for warmer days and spending more time outside. Please remember to send your child in wearing weather appropriate clothing and check cubbies to make sure they are stocked with spring clothing.

March was a very busy month! We celebrated Dr. Seuss's birthday and the letter "k" for king. This was followed by a review of colors and the letter "l" for lion, which culminated in a week on rainbows and the letter "m". We learned about community helpers including police officers, doctors and dentists. Thank you Officer Wallace, Doctor Cruz and Lisa for sharing what you do with the class!

We ended the month with a unit on wind, diamonds and the letter "o". Thank you for your active participation in our letter of the week. At the end of the year each child will receive an alphabet book with pictures of the items and pictures for each letter.

In April we will dive into spring. We will focus on the changes in weather, flowers, ovals and birds. We will be focusing on the letters "p", "q" and "r". Finally we want to wish Connor very happy birthday!

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



## Blue Room News

March was an exciting month in the Blue Room! We celebrated St. Patrick's Day with a visit from sneaky leprechauns, started to learn about Community Helpers and had a policer officer and dentist teach us about what they do. Thank you to everyone who came in to share their community helper jobs with our friends!

As the weather warms up in April, we will be learning about Spring, construction, Eric Carle books, and different kinds of insects and flowers. While going through these topics, we will continue to work on concepts such as letters, numbers and learning to write our names. We will also continue to practice using our manners during meal times and throughout the entirety of the day.

We hope to get outside more this month! We will be spending our motor time on the playground or walking to The Crossings. Please be sure that your child wears sneakers or other shoes that they can run and play in. With warmer weather approaching, this is also a good time to check the clothes in your child's cubby to make sure that they are weather appropriate. As always, please be sure everything is labeled so that belongings do not get mixed up.

We would like to wish Ben a happy 4th birthday and Isla a happy 5th birthday this month!

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



## The Bizzy Beez Activity Center

Join us as the Bizzy Beez staff takes your child on a SENSORrational journey. Activities include; *The Xtreme Board, The Smart Trainer, The Serenity Room, and The Omi Vista Interactive Floor!*

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

## IMPORTANT ZEBRA DATES

**April 10~14-** Spring Book Fair

**April 17~21-** Spring Recess  
No Special Education Programming

**SAVE THE DATE: Graduation June 23, 2017**



## Green Room News

This month in the Green Room we are continuing to explore the topic of community helpers. We want to thank everyone that has come in so far and shared about their jobs. In our dramatic play area we have set up a doctor's office where students are discovering different types of doctor forms and tools. We have also set up a post office where they are learning the importance of mail carriers and how to write letters, address envelopes and deliver the mail. We hope everyone received our letters and gets a chance to write back to us. We look forward to hearing from you! We love getting mail!!

To help reinforce our post office, our friends will learn to recognize their address as well this month. Our student teacher, Lindsay, has really enjoyed working with your children and has been learning a lot from them and she really enjoys creating lesson activities for them. We will be celebrating Earth Day this month by introducing the concepts of reduce, reuse and recycle through many activities in our small groups.

We will be venturing out to World Class Gymnastics on April 24th at 10:00. Please mark your calendars and be on the lookout for permission slips soon. We have no birthdays this month. Our other theme this month will be Spring and handwriting without tears letters: G, Q, P and D. The Green Room is really excited for this month and we are hoping that April showers bring May flowers!

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



## Orange Room News

During the month of March we celebrated Dr. Seuss' birthday and studied him as our author of the month. The children enjoyed reading many of his books including Yertle the Turtle, Green Eggs and Ham and The Lorax. To tie in with Dr Seuss we focused heavily on rhyming and word families in our literacy program. We enjoyed celebrating St. Patrick's Day together and were surprised by a visit from a tricky leprechaun. In our Touch Math program we wrapped up our study of money and began working with simple subtraction. Finally, in our social studies curriculum we began learning about maps and where we fit in. We practiced learning our addresses and created maps of our homes and neighborhoods.

In April we will celebrate the arrival of spring by focusing on our new author of the month, Eric Carle. We will use his books such as The Tiny Seed and The Very Hungry Caterpillar to learn about the new life that spring brings as well as to study the life cycle and parts of plants. At the end of the month we will be caring for caterpillars and recording the changes we notice in our observation journals as we watch them transform to chrysalises and eventually Painted Lady butterflies. Since Earth Day falls in April we will discuss the three R's: reduce, reuse and recycle, as well as other ways we can take care of our Earth. In our Touch Math program we will continue to practice with subtraction and begin to get familiar with clocks. We look forward to welcoming the beautiful spring weather!

*~Ms. Terry, Ms. Lamitie, Ms. Leah, & Ms. Burns*



## Speckled Zebra News

In March we celebrated Dr. Seuss' Birthday, St. Patrick's Day and the first day of Spring. In April, we are focusing on spring exploration with some fun spring crafts, new spring songs and dance, and a very special spring sensory bin!! We will be reading Eric Carle books such as the Tiny Seed and The Very Hungry Caterpillar. We are looking forward to getting outside and exploring both the playground and going on some nature walks.

*~Ms. Leah, Ms. Liz, & Mr. Jason*

## The Book Fair is here!

**Please join us for our Spring Book Fair  
which runs April 10-14, 2017.**

