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DURANT ROAD PRESCHOOL MARCH 2018



Thomas loves using the Ab Wheel

Preschool Investigative Study: Wheels

We will begin our *wheel* investigative study on wheels by asking, “What do we know about wheels?” Wheels are on cars and trucks and other things that go. They are made of rubber and sometimes called tires. Wheels are round and some things have more wheels than other things.

Then we talked about “What we wanted to find out about wheels?” Our children are curious about the different kinds of wheels, how wheels are made, what they are made of, and where you buy wheels? What are the biggest and smallest kinds of wheels, how fast can wheels go, and what makes that loud noise when mom or dad slams on the brakes?

In our interest centers this month, we’ll compare several different types of wheels, find out what makes wheels

rotate, and build ramps for rolling wheeled toys. We’ll keep lists of observations, discoveries, and new vocabulary about wheels. We’ll count, sort and categorize the collection of wheeled objects, measure the diameter and circumference of wheels, and make rubbings of tire treads. Our preschoolers will review the color wheel and use it to select colors for painting. We will investigate wheels that help people in their everyday lives, wheels that are not used for transportation, people who have jobs working with wheels, and the energy source that makes wheels go. We love wheels!

Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss!

In celebration of Dr. Seuss’s birthday, our children are asked to bring in their favorite Dr. Seuss book. We will also have birthday cake in the afternoon!



Mark Your Calendar

- 2 Dr. Seuss Birthday Celebration
- 5 Museum Visit
- 6 Parachute Games-**Preschoolers**
- 8 Plant ‘Happy Hairies’ -**Toddlers**
- 13 Make Kites-**Preschoolers**
- 16 Shamrock Hunt/Wear Green-**Toddlers**
- 16 Leprechaun Hunt-**Preschoolers**
- 20 Indoor Wind Activity-**Toddlers**
- 20 Springtime Stories in Library-**Preschoolers**
- 27 Rainbow Color Hop-**Toddlers**
- 28 Picture day
- 29 Publix Grocery Store Visitor-**Preschoolers**



Fitness Fridays

- 2 Dribbling a ball
- 9 Ways to Travel
- 16 Bounce & Catch
- 23 Body Shapes & Sizes
- 30 Swing & Jump Rope

Our Specials

<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tues</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thurs</i>	<i>Fri</i>
Math Lesson	Computer Class Literacy Lesson	Music Class Tumble Bus	Spanish Class Soccer Shots	Math Lesson



BOOK OF THE MONTH

This month our preschoolers will enjoy reading, **The Dark**, by Lemony Snicket. “Laszlo is afraid of the dark. The dark lives in the same house as Laszlo. Mostly, though, the dark stays in the basement and doesn't come into Laszlo's room. But one night, it does. This is the story of how Laszlo stops being afraid of the dark.” *Check it out!*



Lauren is learning how to stack from biggest to smallest

Infants and Toddlers

Can you think of a classroom without toys? The best thing about toys is that they can teach children skills at the same time children are playing and having fun. As children stack rings on a peg, they learn about size, shape and sequence. As they pull the string on a wheeled toy, they learn about problem solving, cause and effect, balance, and

eye and hand coordination. When they roll a ball back and forth with a friend, they develop social skills. Our job is to match toys to children’s capabilities, interests, and needs ~ all while facilitating a lot of language development. We also plan activities for the children that enhance *listening and talking, physical development, the world around them, and creativity.*

During March, our children will watch the wind. How do you do that? Green is a favorite color during March. Be on the lookout for the color green....and birds!

Museum Visits

This month the museum presents, *Animal Tales*. What better way to bring a character to life than combining children’s literature with the natural sciences. This month features one story about a rabbit and another about a salamander. We will discuss what is fact and fiction about the main characters and meet the accompanying live animals.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Lucas Benjamin Morgan Bryce
Eli Vivian Emanuel Owen



Our Music Program

During March, our children will learn about different notes using our green bottle band. We will also learn new *wind* songs that are sung to favorite tunes.



SPANISH

Hola, amigos! This month we will learn the Spanish words for different feelings and emotions as well as learn a fun St. Patrick’s Day song!

