



TUCKAWAY TIMES

Newsletter for TUCKAWAY-WEST



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MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

Our Pre-School Classes have planned a very special breakfast to honor our Mothers, Grandmothers, and all other special ladies in our lives. This event will take place Friday May 11th, from 7:30AM until 9:00AM. We will serve fresh fruit and pastries for the special women in our lives. Please mark your calendars for this special event. The School-Age Program will serve Lemonade and Cookies in the afternoon.

EAGLES

April was a great month. During the Spring Break week we had fun making origami and kerugma objects. Flag Foot Ball and Four Corners were big fun. Everyone brought their favorite book and we made healthy snacks. We decorated our room with butterflies and flowers made from Popsicle sticks and tissue paper. The Eagles began auditioning for parts in our play "The Wizard of Oz". We have begun to practice our parts already. The play will be "The Wiz" with a modern twist. We present our play on June 8th, at 6:15PM, the same night as Fried Chicken Friday.



TEACHERS LUNCHEON

We would all like to thank you for making our lunch so special. Thank you for taking the time to make a dish to bring to us. All of the dishes were so delicious and we truly enjoyed every one of them. A special "Thank You" to Mr. Barksdale and Mr. Sullivan for helping us cover the nap rooms so that all of us were able to eat together.

KIDS SAY THE DARNDDEST THINGS

The children were taking turns on the sliding board when it was Jace's turn – as he was climbing up the stairs – he stuck his finger in one of the holes in the sliding board stairs. It became *really* stuck. Mr. Troy sent one of the kids to get me. I took a cup of oil with me. I was lubing up the finger and Sophia saw me said "No! No! Miss Linda! Get the *wotion*, Get the *wotion*!"

Caleb's mom brought him in with his instant oatmeal to eat here at Tuckaway. I was up front with them when Caleb said, "Miss Linda, can you make this for me?" After I made it, Caleb took the bowl – looked at it – handed it to me and said "Miss Linda can you **eat** this for me?"



Over the spring break Miss Tanya went to Disney World and she brought me a footprint spoon rest. My grand daughter saw it and asked me about it. I told her Miss Tanya brought it to me from Disney World. She looked at it very closely and asked "Did she find it on the ground?"

This past week Miss Tanya was calling the Yellow Birds to circle time by counting to twenty, as they each came to sit on a letter on the carpet. When she reached 16, Kahne started to count with her. When they reached twenty, Kahne said to her "I am so proud of you Miss Tanya. You know how to count really high!"



ORANGE BIRDS

This is the best time of the year!! The trees are green and the flowers are blooming, everyone is smiling because the sun is shining. Spring is such a happy time of the year. The children love to go outside to play in the warm sunny weather. As I was thinking about what the Orange Birds will be doing in the month of May, I realized it is almost summer time. Summer is such great fun and May is that transition month into summer. Having said that; May will be a very exciting and fun-filled month. We are going to start the month, by talking about the kinds of birds they will see at Tuckaway West at this time of year. And? What do birds eat? Worms of course. We will be sure to talk about worms. We will also help the children to get ready for summer. We will be introducing a lot for water play into their day. I am so excited for all that is going to happen in the month of May.

GREEN BIRDS

Our Green Birds had so much fun coloring eggs and hunting for eggs. During Spring Break we explored the world of bugs (they have been finding inch worms out on the playground and I'm pretty sure they've even taken some home). In the month of May we are going to be talking about the changing weather and how Spring time and Summer differ.

YELLOW BIRDS

The Yellow Birds had a "FuNtAsTiC" time hunting for eggs, thank you for all your contributions. I hope everyone enjoyed their Easter and Spring Break (I SURE DID)! Your children really enjoyed our trip to The Children's Hospital. We saw police robots and horses. They met Snap Dragon, who teaches safety tips and we spoke to firemen and were able to climb onto their truck!! Can you believe May is almost here? We will be getting ready for summer, graduation and Mother's Day!! Friday May 18th, we will be going to Three Lakes Park from 9:30 to 11:30.

HOME SCHOOL CONNECTION

GRASSY SOCKS

Materials:

- Old Cotton Socks
- Spray Water Bottles
- Grass Seed
- Box Lid or Tray to Contain Seed

Have your child put on the tube sock, then spray the bottom and sides of the sock with the spray bottle until damp. Have your child walk on the tray of seeds until the bottom and sides of the sock is covered with seeds. Spray the seeds again to ensure that the seeds will stick to the sock fabric. Find an outdoor area to hang your sock (a sunny place is ideal) and observe. Within a few days grass will begin to sprout on the fabric.

This activity will help them to understand the life cycle of seeds and how plants grow and how nature helps all things to grow. Children will appreciate the concept of working together to achieve a common goal and the amount of time it will take for the seeds to sprout.



See more pictures on our Facebook Page!

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