



May 2016

SAVE THE DATES

May 2nd-6th – Teacher Appreciation Week! May 8th – Mother's Day! May 30th – CENTER CLOSED – Memorial Day Jun. 6th-Aug. 12th – Weekly Summer Camp – REGISTER NOW! Mon., Jul. 4th – Center CLOSED Mon., Aug. 15th – 2016-2017 Palm **Beach County School Year Begins**

CURRICULUM

CREATIVE

Week 1: How do Flowers Grow / Mother's Day Week 2: Planting Seeds Week 3: Roses / Red Week 4: Bees / Yellow

SPECIAL LEARNING

Week 1 & 2: Planets & Stars with Mr. X Dinosaurs Long Ago with Mr. Q Week 3 & 4: Review ALL Letters, Shapes & Colors!

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How to Help Your Toddler Get Ready to Read

http://www.pbs.org/parents/education/reading-language/reading-milestones/toddler-languagedevelopment-milestones/

Use simple language with your toddler. Make eye contact with your toddler when you talk. Speak in short, simple sentences and repeat new words that you use. When you simplify your language, you help your toddler use language correctly and learn new words.



Tell your child stories about real events. When you tell

your toddler stories, you help her to understand the ingredients that go into them, such as a setting, characters, a plot, and dialogue. Knowing how stories are built with your child understand other stories he hears.

Read different kinds of books to your child. When you vary read-aloud choices, you introduce your child to books containing information about many topics. Try reading nonfiction books about animals, ABC books, and rhyming books. Many children pick favorites to hear over and over again.

Show your toddler the letters in her name. Looking at letters with a parent helps toddlers learn them. Start with your child's name to help her understand that letters and words represent people. Then point out letters wherever you go to help her connect them to places and objects.

Keep crayons within easy reach. Toddlers begin to learn to write by scribbling and making marks on paper. Their scribbles eventually become letters. When you keep markers, crayons and paper handy and write alongside your child, you promote his writing development.

MAY, JUNE, JULY BIRTHDAY CORNER A special HAPPY BIRTHDAY goes out to ...

Joshua M. – 5/1 Aiden J. – 5/7 Eugene G. – 5/11 Nayela M. – 5/16 Gavin R. – 5/23 Jordan D. – 6/9 Ayden E. – 6/11 Markeys G. – 6/17 Aryana H. -7/3Inna D. – 7/9 Isabella M. – 7/28

Angelo M. -5/9Jayden C. – 5/12 Katherine M. – 5/16 Nicholas P. – 5/20 Caitlyn V. – 6/3 Leijah D. – 6/9 Natalie C. -6/14Caleb N. – 6/19 Nicholas O. – 7/7 Laila D. – 7/14

Luis R. – 5/4

Scarlett W. – 5/10 Kennedie P. -5/14Noah C. – 6/4 Anthony A. -6/11Avery L. - 6/15 Abigail D. – 6/22 Abigail S. – 7/8 Ava S. - 7/18

Sienna E. – 5/6

Adrian J. -5/7Lyani A. – 5/11 Rudolph C. -5/16Joseph K. – 5/23 Ronald L. – 6/7



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AGES 5-12 YEARS OLD!

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We offer:

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- Arts & crafts
- Enrichment activities & more
- Computer room
- Games
- Snacks provided

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READY FOR KINDERGARTEN?

http://www.scholastic.com/parents/resources/article/what-to-expect-grade/ready-kindergarten

If your child's preschool years are coming to an end, your thoughts are probably turning toward kindergarten. But is your child ready to move on to the "big" school? What skills do kindergarten teachers expect their new students to have? To help answer those questions (and ease your mind), we've asked highly regarded kindergarten teachers from around the country to share their insights on helping our child gain the right mix of kindergarten-readiness skills.



The skill sets they are looking for might surprise you. Because of the national focus on improving education and meeting standards, you might think that it's most important for children to enter kindergarten knowing their ABCs, numbers, shapes, and colors so they can keep up with the curriculum. While teachers would love children to come in with some letter and number recognition, they don't want you to drill your kids on academic skills. There are equally — if not more — important readiness skills that set the stage for your child's learning. Raising an eager learner is the goal, and it can be achieved easily through play and day-to-day activities. The top readiness skills that kindergarten teachers look for are:

- Enthusiasm Toward Learning
- Solid Oral-Language Skills
- The Ability to Listen
- The Desire to Be Independent
- The Ability to Play Well with Others
- Strong Fine-Motor Skills
- Basic Letter and Number Recognition

"I look for those qualities that prime children to be successful in school," says Kim Hughes. Does the child approach learning enthusiastically? Is she eager to explore and discover? Does she ask questions, take initiative, and persist when tasks are difficult? "Parents can set aside a little time each day to investigate the world with their preschooler and answer those endless questions," says Sandra Waite-Stupiansky. As you drive or walk along in the park, point out your child's surroundings — the different trees or the various birds at the feeder. Demonstrate how things work. "You'll help your child develop beginning science skills — the ability to form a hypothesis, test it out, and come up with new questions and theories," Waite-Stupiansky explains. "The more kids notice, the more curious they'll become. And we'll be building on that curiosity in kindergarten." Most important, always keep the focus on fun. "Relax, and enjoy your children," Mosier says. "Read, play, and go places. And talk the whole time you're doing it!"

SUMMER CAMP – A LEARNING EXPERIENCE!

General camps are what many parents experienced as children – sports, games, arts & crafts, plenty of free play and often a weekly field trip to a nearby swimming pool, park or other community destination. Summer camp is an opportunity for your child to explore a world bigger than his/her neighborhood and a chance for you and your child to practice "letting go." Letting go allows children to develop autonomy and a stronger



sense of self, make new friends, develop new social skills, learn about teamwork, be creative, and more. This time also allows parents an opportunity to take care of themselves so that they will feel refreshed when their child returns home!

Sign-up for one or more of our Bright Beginnings Summer Camp weekly sessions – for ages 5-12 years old!! We offer weekly themes, outdoor fun, field trips and more! \$155 per week, plus activities. Lunch and snacks included! *Bring a friend – ask at our front desk about referral bonuses! \$\$\$*

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