

# Rainbow Corner News



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Don't forget to register for Preschool Summer Day Camp!!!	2 STEM	3	4	5
8	9 Mr. Jim is coming LAST DAY of STEM	10 Hanging Basket Volunteers Needed 5pm to 6pm  Book orders are due	11 Hanging Baskets Delivered	12 Hanging Baskets Delivered
15	16 Permission Slips Due NO STEM	17	18 Pizza Hut Field Trip Meet at Pizza Hut at 9a.m. Pickup at Pizza Hut at 10a.m	19
22	23 STEM night from 6:00 – 7:00 pm NO STEM	24 Last day of School  	25	26
29	30	31		Have a Great Summer!

## This Month's Themes:

Chicka Chicka Boom Boom, eating healthy, summer safety.

We will be having fun with letters and letter sounds along with doing fun activities centered on the book Chicka Chicka Boom Boom. We will be discussing healthy eating and exercise. Classes will also focus on summer safety as we prepare to spend more time outside.

## Note from Kimberly and Alexis:

We need volunteers the evening of Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> to help organize the hanging basket orders. Please let us know if you are able to help.

Children must be wearing sneakers to use the playground equipment. We also ask that students not wear hoods or strings that can easily get caught in equipment. You may keep sneakers/socks in your child's cubby for outdoor play. Flip flops are not permitted in preschool.

## STEM Night at Rainbow Corner

The Preschool will have a STEM program the evening of May 23<sup>rd</sup> from 6pm to 7pm at the preschool. This evening is part of our STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) curriculum and will highlight some of the things we have learned in preschool and enable families to do an activity alongside their preschooler. More information on this event to follow. This program is funded through CARE's partnership with the Bradford Area School District and an Early Childhood Education Innovation Zone grant as part of Pennsylvania's federally-funded Race to the Top-Early Learning Challenge Grant

## Field Trip

This month we have a field trip planned to Pizza Hut. We will be sending additional information and permission slips home.

## Preschool Summer Day Camp

Don't forget about our fun Preschool Day Camp to be held in June. We have many fun and engaging activities planned. We will also continue with STEM activities.

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<h1>ACTIVITIES TO DO AT HOME!!!</h1>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Language and Literacy</b></p> <p>Recite nursery rhymes together. Leave out the final rhyming words and encourage your child to fill in the blank.            "Humpty Dumpty sat on the wall...Humpty Dumpty had a great _____ (fall)".</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Math</b></p> <p>Make number cards by putting the numbers 1-5 on pieces of paper. Ask your child to put the correct number of beans, stickers or other small objects on each card.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Science</b></p> <p>Make bubbles! Mix together liquid dish soap and water. Put the mixture in a cup and show your child how you can blow into it with straws to make more bubbles. Dip in a slotted spoon or other objects and wave them around the room to make bubbles.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Social Studies</b></p> <p>Sit on the steps outside your home. Close your eyes and listen. What sounds do you hear? Talk about the sounds and what they represent.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Cooking</b></p> <p>Make smoothies together. All you need is a blender.            Ingredients: 1 cup of your favorite Sherbet, 1 cup of Orange Juice, 1 small container of Yogurt, and ½ package of Frozen Fruit. Mix the ingredients up in the blender and you have yourself a healthy frozen treat.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Social</b></p> <p>Help your child make a list of "Things I Can Do Myself". Ask your child what special things she or he can do alone. Put them on a list and post it on the refrigerator.</p>

## Transition

We can't believe this is the last newsletter that we will be writing this school year. We had such a wonderful year and had so much fun learning, playing and fostering friendships. The teachers will be working with local Kindergarten teachers to successfully transition any Rainbow Corner Preschool students who are moving up to elementary school or by request into another early learning program including Pre-Kindergarten classes. If you have specific concerns, either now or any time over the summer, please contact your child's teacher at CARE. Also, if your child is attending Rainbow Corner Preschool next year, please don't forget to register.

## Giving Tree

Thank you to the families of Max, Jordan, Anna P., Anna C., Porter, and Abby for your donations to the Giving Tree.



## Inclusion, Kindness and Character

An important part of preschool focuses on your child's social-emotional development. Throughout the year we focus on inclusion and how we are more alike than we are different, the importance of kindness, and what it means to be a good friend and good citizen. Preschool students accept one another's differences and realize it is those differences that make us special and unique. Preschool students are naturally tolerant and accepting and as a program that embraces inclusion we are grateful every day for the sweetness of our students. Our preschoolers have so much heart and truly have a head start on making the world a better place. And we thank you, the parents who truly are—your child's first and best teachers.

## Summer Safety

**HELMETS-** An appropriate helmet must be worn whenever a child is "on wheels". This means bicycles, scooters, skates, rollerblades, skateboards and more! Helmets can be life- saving and can protect a child from serious injury. The helmet must fit properly. If you have any questions regarding how your child's helmet fits, please see Kimberly who is trained in fitting helmets.

### SUN SAFETY- Special Considerations for Children

- o Generously Apply Sunscreen
- o Wear Protective Clothing
- o Seek shade when able, the sun's UV rays are strongest between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.
- o Use extra caution near water and sand which are highly reflective.
- o Check the UV Index -The UV Index provides important information to help you plan your outdoor activities in ways that prevent sun overexposure. The UV Index forecast is issued daily by the National Weather Service and EPA. Visit [www.epa.gov/sunwise/uvindex.html](http://www.epa.gov/sunwise/uvindex.html).
- o Get Vitamin D Safely- through a diet that includes foods fortified with Vitamin D. Don't seek the sun.

## THANK YOU FOR A GREAT SCHOOL YEAR!

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