

St. Edmund's Nursery School APRIL NEWSLETTER – 2017



"Every horizon is an invitation to start anew." Unknown

During the month of April we will continue to talk about the “Wonders of Nature” as we study and learn about the lifecycles of frogs, butterflies and hopefully silk worms.

We will also study about farm animals and their babies.

Color: *Blue* **Shape:** *Oval* **Number:** 8

Concept: *Fast and Slow*

Christian Quality of the Month: *Cheerfulness*

Bible Verse: “*I Am With You Always*” - *Matthew 28:20*



9 Things You Should Say To Your Kids Every Day! – Power of Positivity

1. “I love you.”

Say it as often as you like.

2. “I like it when you...”

Highlight positive aspects of behavior.

3. “You make me happy.”

Makes them feel valuable.

4. “I’m proud of you.”

They need to hear their doing a good job even when it’s hard.

5. “You are special.”

Let them know their uniqueness is a strength.

6. “I trust you.”

Building a foundation of trust raises an honest person.

7. “I believe in you.”

Teach them how valuable they are.

8. “I know you can do this.”

Encourage them to never give up.

9. “I am grateful for you.”

Be specific. This can really make their day.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Thurs., March 30	- Spirit Day – Wear your SENS gear
Fri., March 31	- Spirit Day – Wear your SENS gear
Mon., April 3	- Scrip orders due today!
Mon., April 3	- Chapel MWF and 5 Day - 10:10
Tues., April 4	- Chapel T/Th and Pre-K - 10:10
Wed., April 5	- Young 4's Conferences
Thurs., April 6	- Farm Days and Petting Zoo - T/Th and 5 Day Classes
Fri., April 7	- Farm Days and Petting Zoo - MWF and Pre-K Classes
Mon., April 10	- Disaster Drill
Tues., April 11	- Disaster Drill
Wed., April 12	- Restaurant Night – Clearmans Galley or “The Boat” 4:00 pm - Close
Wed., April 12	- Easter Egg Hunt – MWF and 5 Day Classes – No Picnic
Thurs., April 13	- Easter Egg Hunt – T/Th and Pre-K Classes – No picnic
Fri., April 14	- Good Friday – SENS closed
Mon.-Fri., Apr. 24 – Apr. 28	- National Week of the Young Child – celebrating all our children with ice cream sandwiches Tuesday and Wednesday!
Mon.-Fri., Apr. 24 – April 28	- “Teacher Appreciation Week”
Tues., April 25	- Teacher and Staff Appreciation Lunch
Mon., May 1, 9:00-10:30	- Julie Lilly Graduation Photos
Fri., May 5 at 6:00 PM	- Parent Party – At SENS!

Conference Dates:

Mrs. Medeiros (Young 4's), Wednesday, April 5
Mrs. Westphal (MWF 3's), Monday, May 1
Mrs. Westphal (Old 3's) and Mrs. Elffers (Young 3's), Tuesday, May 2
Mrs. Doerning (MWF 3's), Wednesday, May 3
Mrs. Doerning (Young 3's) and Mrs. Toth (Old 3's), Thursday, May 4

End of Year Celebration: Mrs. Medeiros & Mrs. Holder's class – Mon., June 5 at 9:00 –
Music Room

Graduation Dates: Mrs. Elffers & Mrs. Pegram's class – Wed., June 7 at 9:00
Mrs. Grimes & Mrs. Schraer 5 Day – Thurs., June 8 at 9:00
Mrs. Long & Mrs. DiBona, Pre K – Thurs., June 8 at 10:30

Summer School Dates: June 12-15, June 19-22, June 26-29
Monday – Thursday from 9-12pm, for 3 weeks.



WE ARE PLANNING AN AWESOME SUMMER SCHOOL EXPERIENCE FOR YOUR CHILDREN. SUMMER SCHOOL IS THE LAST THREE WEEKS OF JUNE MONDAY - THURSDAY EACH WEEK. COME JOIN THE FUN. APPLICATIONS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR ONE, TWO OR ALL THREE WEEKS. BE SURE TO ENROLL YOUR CHILD(REN) FOR THIS WONDERFUL EXPERIENCE!

“Hats off to St. Edmund’s” – Annual Parent Party, Friday, May 5

This will be a very casual, fun filled evening to give us all a chance to celebrate and enjoy our SENS community of friends. We hope you will attend this wonderful event.

Auction items are being donated – if you are considering making a contribution to our auction, please contact Wendy Watson at wendy@go2delphi.com. This will enable us to add the item to our auction roster and acknowledge your donation. Lastly, our Capital Campaign goal is 100% participation. If you haven't supported our major fundraiser, please remember that we appreciate any dollar amount; our goal is to achieve 100% participation!

THANK YOU TO.....

- Thank you to **the SENS Board and families** for providing the delicious treats at Open House and to **Dana Laugharn** for organizing the event!
- Thank you **Danielle Barr Perrigue** for organizing Aquarium of the Pacific. The children had such a wonderful time learning about the aquatic animals and then actually having the chance to see and touch so many different species!

PICNIC INFORMATION:

Remember: No peanut butter or nuts are served at school to help protect our children who have severe allergies. This includes "picnic" lunches.

Did you know....the week of April 24 through April 28 is National Week of the Young Child?? Let's see how we can ALL make a difference for ALL the young children in our country! Together we can inspire every child!



April

Cheerfulness



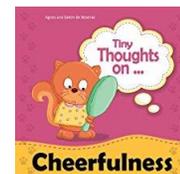
April is the month we learn about being CHEERFUL. As we jump into April, there are spring flowers and great weather and excitement as our children turn the corner of another school year. Our last child is graduating St. Edmunds this year, so as parents we have mixed emotions, but watching our daughter's excitement about kindergarten as she jumps into the next stage of life, we can't help but feel CHEERFUL as well. I think of CHEERFUL as the act of bringing CHEER into a room and creating happiness in others. CHEERFULNESS is infectious and creates an energy that others can feel.

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LIFE.

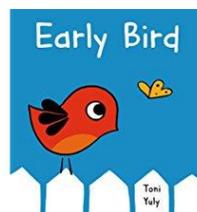
CHEERFULNESS is also a way to approach a task, the day, and life itself. I am not sure if you can teach your child to be CHEERFUL, but I do think you can show them CHEERFUL behavior which they can learn and bring to others. For those of us who are not "morning people", when it came time to start getting kids up and ready for school, I found myself dreading the alarm and the morning routine. I then realized that my attitude was having a negative impact on the morning. When I decided to approach the day with CHEER, I noticed a marked improvement in their attitude as well. By entering their rooms with CHEER and chatter about the day ahead – even if I wasn't totally excited about my upcoming day – I was able to imbue their day with CHEER and anticipation about the day ahead.

Another key element of this strategy is reinforcing the concept that each person is responsible for their own happiness. We control our day. We can't control what happens, but we always have control over our response. These are powerful concepts for young children who may feel that they don't control much of anything in their lives.

So, in the month of April, go forth and bring CHEERFULNESS.



Tiny Thoughts on Cheerfulness - Jun 15, 2013, by Agnes de Bezenac and Salem de Bezenac



Early Bird - Jan 28, 2014, by Toni Yuly



Happy People Everywhere - May 10, 2014, by Jennie Goutet

The books above are available on Amazon.com.

Have a fabulous month!

