

**MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD  
EARLY LEARNING CENTER  
2023 MARCH NEWSLETTER**

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

THURS. MARCH 2<sup>nd</sup>  
FRI. MARCH 10<sup>th</sup>

DR. SEUSS DAY – (Green Eggs and Ham – No lunch needed)  
ELC CLOSED – STAFF WILL ATTEND THE ROCKY MTN. ECE. CONF.

**EARLY LEARNING CENTER EVALUATION**

Included with this month's newsletter is our yearly evaluation. Please take the time to fill it out and return it to us by the end of March. It helps a great deal to know where you feel we are doing a good job and where improvement is needed. Last year some of the suggestions of how we could improve the program were "Would like a consistent process to communicate nap/eating routines.", "More opportunities to volunteer would be nice.", "Love the science activities and would like to see more.", and "More fresh fruit and veggies added to the snack menu would be great."

To address the above suggestions, we have been using ProCare for tuition, and to communicate nap/eating routines. Due to the Covid restrictions being lifted we have been able to offer more opportunities for volunteering. We have added a STEM shelf in room six which can be rotated between classrooms to add more science activities to our program. We have also added fresh fruits and vegetables to our snack menu twice a week.

**DENVER PRESCHOOL PROGRAM**

Thanks to Denver voters, pre-k tuition support is available to all families, regardless of income, who have a child who is 4 years old by October 1 and lives in the City and County of Denver. If your child is going into pre-k next year you can apply for tuition assistance over the summer at [www.dpp.org](http://www.dpp.org) and receive support beginning September 1, 2023.

**COLORADO SHINES RATING**

The staff and I are very excited to have gotten through the rating. It is a stressful month for the teachers, as well as Dawn and me. We should get our results back by the end of March. Thanks to all parents who filled out the survey. We appreciate your help!

**CLASSROOM NEWS**

Room 1

Hard to believe it is March. Our time is going fast. This month we will be celebrating Dr. Seuss' birthday on March 2nd. We will be working on letters S, T, U and V. Color will be green, shape will be rectangle and numbers will be 8 and 9. We will start tracing and writing our first names. We have a few field trips planned and some fun art projects to work on. Hopefully the weather will be nice so we can go for a nature walk to find signs of spring.

Have a wonderful month of March!  
Ms. Barb and Ms. Laura

## Room 2

We have been busy since January. Most of the children know the alphabet, numbers, shapes, and colors. They also know how to put on and zip their coats. In March we will be focusing on the letters R, S, T, & U, the color green and the diamond shape. On Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> we will celebrate Dr. Seuss' Birthday! Wear your pajamas. We will be serving Green Eggs and Ham for lunch. In Science we will be learning about plants and planting some tomato seeds to take home in May. In Math we will be reviewing the numbers 1-10 and learning about measurement. In Religion we will be preparing for Easter.

The ELC will be Closed Friday, March 10<sup>th</sup> as we will be attending the Rocky Mountain ECE Conference all day.

Planning ahead – The ELC will have a noon dismissal on Holy Thursday April 6<sup>th</sup>, be closed Good Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup> and Easter Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup>.

Regina, Cristi & Jenn

## Room 3

The school year is flying by for the Pre-Ker's in room 3. The children are growing and learning by leaps and bounds. It is amazing how much they have changed since the beginning of the year. During February we had units on camping and ocean animals. All the children loved learning about symmetry and looking for symmetry throughout the classroom. We also talked about being kind, and helpful to all our friends, tying that into Valentine's Day, and the season of Lent. We have been working on recognizing and printing our last names as we continue to study our letters and numbers. We are looking forward to celebrating St. Patrick's Day in March along with Dr. Seuss' birthday. We will also be learning about dental health and nursery rhymes/fairy tales while we act them out in the coming weeks.

Ms. Tracee and Ms. Tess

## Room 4

The last two months have been very busy in room 4. We had a wonderful time preparing and celebrating our winter holidays! Some of our weekly themes have included winter, snow men, weather, rodeo, 100 days valentines and Martin Luther King Jr. Our upcoming themes will be Dr. Seuss, St. Patrick's Day, Spring, and dinosaurs. We had a fun time celebrating love and friendship at our Valentine's Day party by making crafts and handing out valentines. We look forward to planning some field trips soon, and we appreciate all the treats and items you have donated! We continue to practice our Kindergarten readiness skills. Thank you for all your support, as well as sharing your children with us.

Ms. Jill and Ms. Julia

## Room 5

Our learning journey has been flying by in Room 5! We had a wonderful time preparing and celebrating our winter holidays. Some of our weekly themes have included winter, animals in winter, western week, light and shadow, and Valentine's Day. To add to our learning, we even went to the Arvada Center to see the performance of Charlottes Web. We loved it! Some of our upcoming learning will include where we live, Dr. Seuss, St. Patrick's Day, Spring, fairy tales, Lent and Easter. We will also be going on a couple more field trips before our year comes to an end. Thank you for continuing to support the learning in Room 5 and for sharing your wonderful children with me. Spring here we come!

Ms. Nicole

Happy spring!

Kellie