



Discovery Zone Gazette

Toddlers Go Bubble-tastic

The Toddler Room would like to start by welcoming Rylan S. and his family to our class. We want to wish Hannah P. and Tyler M. a Happy Birthday this month.

For the month of June, the Toddlers will learn about "My School," bubbles, weather, textures and the 4th of July.

The first week of June, the children will paint the first letter of their name, enjoy a letter match game and practice writing skills as they attempt to draw circles.

Bubbles, bubbles everywhere! Next, Toddlers will

explore bubbles in a variety of ways. The children will go on a bubble wrap walk, explore blowing bubbles, and paint and wash with squeegees.



Sunny, cloudy, rainy, snowy and windy weather will roll into the Toddler Room when we talk about weather. The children will enjoy a sensory experience as they sponge paint paper plate suns. The children will learn math and life skills as they sort clothes appropriate to different kinds of weather. Finally, fine motor skills will be the focus as the chil-

dren create tornado art.

Next, textures and sensory exploration will be the focus in the Toddler Room. The children will do sandpaper rubbings and explore sensory bags filled with a variety of materials such as jelly, hair gel, and peanut butter.

For the last week of June, Toddlers will celebrate the 4th of July! The children will use a "Koosh" ball to paint fireworks, learn colors and shapes as they make an American flag, and learn about following a recipe while making a red, white and blue snack.

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Important Dates:

- 6/9 Nature on the Seashore will visit DZLC to entertain and educate the children about sea life
- 6/24 Camp Discovery begins.
- 7/2 & 7/3 DZLC will be **CLOSED** to celebrate Independence Day

Infants Have Fun With Faces

In the month of June, the Infants will enjoy the sun outside either on the deck, going for rides in the buggy, or splashing around with sensory water play.

Camping is our theme this month and we will decorate the room with colorful pictures and projects. The children will



also focus on faces this month. We will make funny faces with the children while describing them. We will also use mirrors for the children to look at their own faces. The children will enjoy books such as "Baby Faces" and "Peek-A-Boo You."

Motor skills, body awareness and language will be practiced with the song "Head, Shoulders, Knees

and Toes."

Congratulations on Rylan's move to the Toddler Room. Also, congratulations to Ava, Maggie, and Casey who have begun walking. We are happy to welcome Elliot B., Tiernan F., and their families to our class.

Reminders: Please remember to pack extra clothes that are Summer weather appropriate.

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Preschool A Goes Under the Big Top

The Preschool A Room would like to wish a Happy Birthday to Sylvia, Meah, and Jordan this month!

Preschool A heads "Under the Big Top" this month. We begin June with a circus and shapes theme. The children will get lots of exercise with a pretend circus outside.

Sensory play is always a favorite and we will fill the sensory table with a variety of shapes and colors for

the children to explore. Gross motor and shape recognition skills will be the focus as the children use the parachute with shapes. Finally, Preschoolers will use their imaginations to make paper



plate clown masks.

For the 2nd week, Preschool A will explore the desert. To enhance gross motor skills, the children will enjoy a rattle, hop, run and counting game. The sensory table will be used to search through rocks and sand to see what items can be found. The children will also have an opportunity to sculpt cacti out of play dough and enjoy creative expression through paint. The children will also be busy this week creating a special Father's Day gift.

The following week, Preschool A will jump into pond life and explore insects. The children will use observational skills to go on a bug hunt and identify their findings. Preschoolers will also improve spatial awareness and shape recognition skills with "Create-A-Bug." The class will also work on literacy skills by matching "Bug Letters."

The last week of June will be all about dinosaurs. The children will continue working with shapes to make dinosaur creations and have a sensory experience with "Dinosaur Prints." Preschoolers will enjoy science exploration with a dinosaur fossil and improve language skills with a "You-A-Saurus."

During June Preschool A will also focus on the letters, M, N, O and P.

Reminders: As the weather warms, please remember to bring a water bottle and apply sunscreen in the morning and we will reapply in the afternoon. Once summer begins as the end of June, we will again have "Sprinkler Fridays." Watch for notices to announce the start and please send you child with swimsuits, towels and water shoes. Please do NOT allow your child to bring toys from home except on "Show and Share Day."

Preschool B Goes Under the Sea

Summer is just around the corner and Preschool B is kicking it off by going camping! The Preschoolers will learn camping songs, work on math skills with s'mores and go fishing in the block center. The children will also learn science skills with a sink/float activity and tie dye t-shirts.

The second week of camping will entail sleeping bag races, making trail mix by following directions, and getting creative with campfire art. The dramatic play center will be trans-

formed into a campsite for some fun role playing.

The last two weeks of June will send Preschool B "Under the Sea." Preschoolers will explore large motor skills as we play "Pin the Legs on the Octopus," The "Fishy Pokey," and "Seafood Limbo." We will also build fine motor and math skills while making cookies and Cheerio star fish. Preschool B will have many



more fun and exciting activities for the month including a Beach Party on Wed. 6/24. Please dress in beach attire and bring a swimsuit, towel and water shoes for sprinkler play.

Reminders: Please do NOT allow your child to bring toys from home except on "Show and Share Day." Please remember to apply sunscreen to your child in the mornings and we will reapply in the afternoons. Sprinkler Days will begin soon. Be on the lookout for notices.

Center News

Please remember to drive carefully while in the parking lot. The mornings and afternoons are quite busy at DZLC with many parents arriving and departing. The safety and wellbeing of the children and families are of utmost importance and we must work

together to keep everyone safe. Please use caution when arriving and departing and be on the lookout for pedestrians (particularly children who don't always behave appropriately in a parking lot!)

DZLC is happy to welcome back Kelly M. and Melissa C. who will work part time and as substitutes for vacationing staff. We will also welcome Kevin M. who will join the DZLC staff part time throughout the summer.

