Preschool Press

Principal's Message

Dear Parents,

WE ARE NOW ENROLLING FOR 2020/2021 We will be contacting returning parents to set up appointments beginning March 4. Returning students are no longer required to complete a new interest survey.

Prospective students may complete interest surveys beginning March 1 and we will contact them to set up an appointment once we have received their information from the WISD. If you, or someone you know has a 3 or 4 year old, please encourage them to fill out an Interest Form at www.washtenawpreschool.org and select AAPS as your first choice. You can call our office at (734) 994-2303 if you have any questions.

- Grant Funded Programs offer tuition free options for 3 or 4 year olds for families that qualify with low to moderate income.
- Children must be 3 or 4 on or before December 1st, 2020.

For Tuition Based Programs @ Allen and Thurston Elementary and Westerman Preschool. Visit http://annarborpreschool.com for more information about the tuition based programs or call (734)994-2252.

Remember that MARCH IS READING MONTH.

- "Read" with your child daily
- Talk about the pictures instead of reading all the words
- Use silly voices to make "reading" fun
- Let your child "read" the book to you
- Ask questions about the pictures –
 "What is this?" "Who is in the
 sand?" "Where did the ball go?"
 "How will they get over that broken
 bridge?"

Stay warm, Spring is just around the corner!

Michelle Pogliano, Principal



Don't Just Sit There... Get Up and Read! Kathy Gaines, PT

March is Reading Month, which is a great reminder of how fun it is to snuggle up together with your child and read a book...but also that it can be just as fun to get up and move while you read! Many books that preschoolers love also involve moving and active participation, which can help keep children engaged with the book, teach them new vocabulary words about body awareness and movement, and help them with following directions. Many songs you or your child are familiar with also come in book form, such as *Wheels on the Bus* and *We're Going on a Bear Hunt*, but there are many great books that involve movement, such as *From Head to Toe* by Eric Carle, *The Little Old Lady Who Was Not Afraid of Anything* by Linda Williams, *Move!* by Robin Page, and *Stomp, Dinosaur, Stomp!* by Margaret Mayo, just to name a few.

You can find more books with movement online by searching Google or Pinterest under "movement books for preschoolers". You can also go to your local bookstore or library and ask for help finding movement books your child will love and that will keep them active...and reading, too!

Events etc

March 2019

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| MAR | CH IS | READIN | NG MOI | VTH |
| 2 | Reading With Officer Doug | 4 | 5 | 6 Engaging Families in Literacy Session: 4 9:30 - 11:00 am Parent Mtg 11:00 ECSE Parent Engagement Day |
| 9 | No School Election Day | 11 Tuition Open House 5:30 - 6:30 | 12 | 13 |
| 16 | 17 | 18 Last day for Transportation changes, which will take effect when we return from Spring Break | 19 | 20 |
| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 Engaging Families in Literacy 10:00 - 11:30 am |
| 30 | 31 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| | No Scho | ol - Sprir | ng Break | |

ANN ARBOR PUBLIC SCHOOL EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS

Engaging Families in Children's Literacy Development

A Complete Workshop Series

JOIN US on FRIDAY, 3/27/2020

"Literacy Happens in the Kitchen" 10:00 – 11:30

LOCATION: WESTERMAN PRESCHOOL & FAMILY CENTER

- LEARN ABOUT CHILDREN'S LITERACY DEVELOPMENT
- MAKE-IT AND TAKE-IT FUN FAMILY FOCUSED READING AND WRITING ACTIVITIES TO TAKE HOME
- LEARN WAYS TO BUILD READING AND WRITING INTO YOUR DAILY ACTIVITIES AT HOME
- PRESCHOOL U FIVE DOMAINS OF SCHOOL READINESS

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

10:00 - 10:30 WELCOME & PARENT

PRESENTATION

(CHILDCARE IN THE GYM)

10:30 – 11:30 CHILDREN JOIN PARENTS FOR HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES

Save the date for our future Literacy Events: April 24 & May 29, 2020

R.S.V.P. PLEASE RETURN THIS BOTTOM PORTION BY WEDNESDAY, 3/25/2020 _____ I WILL BE ATTENDING THE FAMILY LITERACY WORKSHOP PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME: ______ CHILD'S NAME: _____ TEACHER: _____ AGES OF CHILDREN ATTENDING: ______ (CHILDREN UNDER 2 YEARS MUST REMAIN WITH PARENTS AT ALL TIMES)



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