

BRIGHT BEGINNINGS

PRESCHOOL

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Charlottesville's Early Childhood Leader Since 1984

NEWS FROM THE FRONT DESK:

Happy Friday! This week has flown by; we hope everyone enjoyed the week! We would like to welcome the Walsh family to the Starfish room and the Freeman family to the Octopus room.

Please be sure to check out the important dates to the right! Brownie bake off is Monday! A table will be setup for brownie drop off Monday morning.

NEWS FROM THE ADMISSIONS DESK:

We have had many tours recently that have decided to enroll with us here at Bright Beginnings Preschool. Quite a few of you will be receiving your \$100 family referral credit as well! Thank you so much for spreading the word about Bright Beginnings! Our program is aimed to providing your child with the best, age appropriate and academically appropriate curriculum each day. We pride ourselves on preparing your children for kindergarten and beyond from the day they start at Bright Beginnings Preschool. Do you have a great testimonial for us? We love to share it with our staff and families. Please send your testimonials to our Director of Admissions and Marketing – Lisa Fischer at Lisa@brightbeginningsva.com today!

Also – we're HIRING! If you know someone interested in a rewarding career with the BEST staff in Cville – have them come to our job fair on March 19th from 2-4 at our Forest Lakes preschool! We're hiring at all 3 locations!



March 11, 2016

DATES TO REMEMBER!

March 14 –

Brownie Bake off!

Parent Advisory Meeting 5:30-6

Staff Meeting 6:00-7:00

March 17 – St. Patrick Day
Classroom Parties

March 21 –

Open House for Prospective
Families, 6:30

March 25 – Spring Classroom
Parties, Spring Egg Hunt

April 1 – Money due for St.
Jude Trike-A-Thon

April 4 – PreK St. Jude Trike-A-
Thon

WHATS NEW?

Baby Sign Language

Yoga

Music Class

Gymnastics/Dance

Spanish Class

CLASSROOM NEWS!!

NEWS FROM OUR PENGUIN FRIENDS:

Since the weather in Virginia is ever so lovely, that was our focus this week! We did lots of great art! We all had fun making our raindrop sun catcher! We even started on our flowerpot for our classroom door. We have enjoyed "going on a bear hunt" this week as a new part of our movement and music! We have been focusing on basic words at circle time this week. Ask your children some basics things you see, it will help build their knowledge even more! We are so happy that the weather has let us enjoy outside even more this week! We can't wait to see what next week brings!

* Please remember to label your child belongings.

* Please send food already prepared to eat. An example is anything that needs to be cut or sliced!

NEWS FROM OUR STARFISH FRIENDS:

GREEN. Everything green in the Starfish room this week! In honor of St. Patrick's day we decided to show our babies all the different things that are green during our day! During morning meeting time we sang that Bowen had a green shirt on and pointed to his shirt. He was so happy that all eyes were on him! ;) Our sensory this week consisted of splashing in green water!

Jackson and Jacob had a blast! We made green leprechauns for art this week. Giselle and Nora always have the biggest smile on their face when the paint brush touches their little toes. We also did a lot of learning outside too, since it was BEAUTIFUL weather! The babies learned that there are green leaves and grass outside that feel weird in our hands! Lev was so amazed when she felt the grass! We absolutely love to be outside and enjoy some fresh air! Just remember to bring or keep a jacket at school in case it's a little windy! :)

Please check your child's cubby each day for artwork and important paperwork to be sent home. We hope you enjoy your weekend and we will see you on Monday! :)

NEWS FROM OUR SEA TURTLE FRIENDS:

This week in the Sea Turtle room we learned all about animals! We learned about lions, lambs, frogs and dogs! We also celebrated a birthday! Maggie turned one on Thursday! We celebrated with some colorful cupcakes. We enjoyed making our classroom lion with our handprints as his mane. Benson really enjoyed making his handprint frog for art. Everyone had a great time making their lambs for art. They took a cotton ball in a clothespin and used pincher grip to bounce it on the paper. We learned about the sounds that different animals make, and what they look like. Please be sure to check your child's cubby every Friday for any artwork that may need to go home. Please check your child's day note every Friday for anything they may need for the upcoming week. Thank you for all your help and have a great weekend!

NEWS FROM OUR SEAL FRIENDS:

This week in the seal room, we introduced the weather and seasons of the year. We finally got to work with our weather wheels, as well as help to make a large one for our classroom. For our social skill development, we focused mainly on the sign language for the word "rain". For art, we made "what season is it" trees, we painted the pieces of our class sized weather wheel, and we also made rain drop paper collages. For our gross motor exercises, we played, wet or dry, raindrop search, and sang rain rain go away. For fine motor, we played weather fishing, and made fingerprint raindrops. For practical living, we played musical raindrops, and we practiced jumping over pretend puddles.

NEWS FROM OUR OTTER FRIENDS:

Well we had so much fun this week; the kids really enjoyed doing spring art and getting ready for springtime. For art this week we made one fish, two fish, red fish, blue fish, painted a class rock, bubble wrap cherry blossoms, wind sock craft and popcorn trees. The kids loved making the popcorn trees and eating the popcorn while making them. We also had fun doing parachute play and kick the can for gross motor. For practical living we had fun with puppet plays and planting flower seeds to water and watch grow. We are working hard on our name recognition, Spanish counting and one color a week in Spanish. Our color this week was green! Don't forget to wear green next Thursday for St. Patrick's day celebrations. Please check out our St. Patrick's day party sign up and we will be soon doing a Spring Party sign up also. We will be doing a spring egg hunt and we ask all parents to bring in 10 filled eggs for the kids. Sign ups will be on our class door.

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NEWS FROM OUR WALRUS FRIENDS:

This week was a fun week for the walrus classroom as Our theme for this week was "Spring" we did all kinds of crafts to celebrate spring .We started off everyday with morning meetings where we learned the days, months, seasons, the days weather, counting and the ABCs. We discussed in social studies our families, loving our families, and emotions .We enjoyed making a family tree with our handprints. In science we talked about spring and signs of spring, we made a classroom project for welcoming spring; we made a craft each day with the signs of spring. This week we were all excited to learn to write the letter "Cc"! We learned its sound and discussed C words. We have also traced it on the board and notebook. The most exciting thing was decorating the C with colorful rice! We also found it interesting to learn to write 1 to 5 in our notebooks and count too 30. We had fun doing yoga, music Spanish, dance and gymnastics each day after nap, we ended each day with our little hands trying to solve puzzles after we came back from recess.

Please let me know if I need to change anything.



NEWS FROM OUR DOLPHIN FRIENDS:

It's been a great week in the Dolphin room; we most definitely took advantage of the warm weather! We spent mean afternoon snack times eating outside. The theme this week was American Transportation. For journals this week, we focused on the letter V and practiced writing the number 21. In social studies, as a group we talked about different types of transportation. The group loved talking about their favorite vehicles! For math we spent some time on number review and even used cars to help us count. We also had a very exciting project this week. Using all of those yummy fruits our wonderful parents brought in, we made mini cars, boats and even planes! Of course after those where made, everything was gobbled up. A special thank you to our class for supporting our class projects! Have a great weekend!

NEWS FROM OUR GYMNASTICS CLASS:

This week in Gymnastics the three year olds enjoyed stretching games, and dance movement. Our four year olds were working on balancing and continued to work on the importance of stretching!

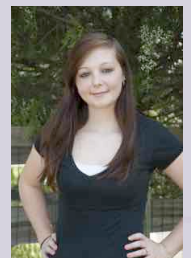
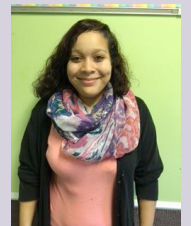
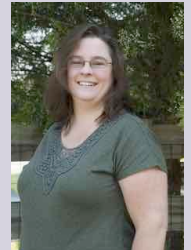
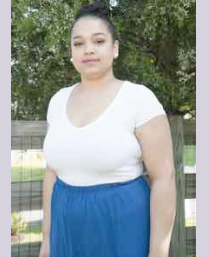
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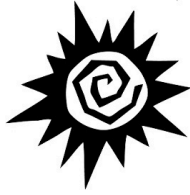
This week in the Octopus class we studied rainbows! We talked about what creates rainbows, as well as the order of the colors of the rainbow with a little help from our friend, ROY G. BIV! We read some wonderful books about rainbows, including: "Rainbows" By Jacqueline Dwyer, "Rainbow Joe and Me" By Maria Diaz Strom, "The Rainbow and You" By E.C. Krupp, "Elmer and the Rainbow" By David McKee, "Rainbow Stew" By Cathryn Falwell, and "Maisy's Rainbow Dream" By Lucy Cousins. We also colored rainbows, made rainbow collages, and made rainbows in a bottle! The class also enjoyed created our very own class rainbow by wearing a different color of the rainbow each day this week! Next week we will learn about St. Patrick's Day, and the pot of gold that is on the end of a rainbow!!! Have a great weekend!!!

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NEWS FROM OUR MUSIC CLASS: Coming soon!

NEWS FROM SPANISH CLASS: Coming soon!





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GOOD NEWS AND INFORMATION FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILIES

October 2015

Do you have something nice to say about Mill Creek? Our staff love to hear your feedback! Please give us a 5 Star review on Google and we'll give you a coffee card just for being awesome! Thank you for all of your support – for being part of our BB Family!!



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If you're wondering why we're Charlottesville's #1 Preschool—don't let us tell you.....
Let our parents tell you!!

"I'm a widower with a three year old daughter, who lost her mother before she was one. I say that so you understand just how important my child is to me. Carolyn has been coming to Bright Beginnings for almost two years. I've seen her grow, learn and play. And more importantly, I trust them with my child. I can think of no greater thing to say."
- Forest Lakes Parent 2016

"Thank you and your staff very much for listening to our concerns and addressing them so quickly. You all work very hard and we really appreciate all of the details in tadpole and the pictures. Miss Cassidy and Miss Ashley have been fantastic in keeping us informed on Thomas' day. They keep us up to date and Thomas is always smiling."
- Mill Creek Parent 2016

Did you see this on our Facebook page? If not – go "like" our page!

First we play in the sunshine with our teacher.... then we come inside and practice our yoga to unwind before journal time. We love to have an age appropriate and challenging curriculum for your child daily! For more information on our preschool program visit www.brightbeginningsva.com today!

