

Hollin Hall News

PRESCHOOL

April 2018

We had fun celebrating "Pi" day and St. Patrick's Day with the preschool children! The children are excited that Spring is finally here and the days are getting warmer!



The curriculum themes this month are:

- Preschool I - "Ocean Commotion"
- Preschool II - "Ocean Commotion"
- Pre-Kindergarten - "Butterfly"

Here's what is happening this month:

- ❖ On Wednesday, April 4th, we will have a "belated" Easter Egg hunt for the preschoolers in the morning.
- ❖ On Monday, April 16th, the new season of Excite Soccer is beginning! Forms were distributed in March to sign up. There is a free demo class for Excite Soccer on Monday, April 9th.
- ❖ On Wednesday, April 18th, Rocknoceros will be here to entertain the kiddos! This is a brand-new show for our center but comes highly recommended!
- ❖ On Tuesday, April 24th, for Pre-k only, cap and gown photos in the morning.





As the weather grows warmer, please remember to check the extra clothes that are in your child's cubby. We have found that many times the clothes are too small for the child. They grow quickly at this age! You may want to leave a hooded sweatshirt in your child's cubby for unpredictable spring weather. Please remember to LABEL EVERYTHING with your child's name! **Also, no flip flops, crocs or open-toed sandals are permitted in the preschool as they inhibit the child's ability to run, climb and play on the playground.**



The preschool summer packets were distributed last month! We have lots of exciting shows and activities planned for the children. In the packet, there are two forms that need to be completed and returned to your child's teacher: water play and sunscreen forms. Additionally, there is a \$75 summer registration fee for preschool (which will be charged to your account on Monday, June 11th.)



Reminders:

1. Each child has a cubby in his/her classroom where we place any important information from the office. Please remember to check your child's cubby every day.
2. Tuition is due weekly by Wednesday at 9:30 am. After this time, a late payment fee of \$15.00 is added to your account.
3. Please take your child's nap mat home each Friday to launder. If anyone has an extra nap mat at home, please remember to return it, washed, to the center.

Have a wonderful month!

Jill

Jill Levy,
Director

Amy

Amy Venzke,
Assistant Director

Five Fun Facts for April!

Five Things to Know About Play:

1. **Children learn through play.** Children learn and develop cognitive skills, physical abilities, new vocabulary, social and literary skills through play.
2. **Play is healthy.** Play helps children grow and counteracts obesity issues facing name children today.
3. **Play reduces stress.** Play is joyful and provides an outlet for anxiety and stress.
4. **Play is more than meets the eye.** Play is simple and complex. There are many types of play: symbolic, sociodramatic, functional, and games – to name just a few.
5. **Play and learning go hand-in-hand.** They are not separate activities. They are intertwined. Think about them as a science lecture with a lab. Play is the child's lab.

(from the National Association for the Education of Young Children)

