

Bartlett Community Preschool

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Playground Update:

Our staff and board have been working very hard to create a plan for a new outdoor environment. Due to our incredible enrollment this year, we are able to put the majority of our fundraising proceeds towards creating a beautiful new space. Our current climber has put in its time and is beginning to show some wear. We are very excited to be in the process of picking out a new one that will complement the space as we transform it into a beautiful outdoor classroom! Our summer is expected to be full of outdoor games, water play, fun, and learning (shhh...don't tell the children that they will be learning, we like them to think they are just playing!)

Season Change:

We are at the time of year when the weather is changing quite often! We are sweating one day, stuck inside the next, and playing in puddles the next day! Please remember to send in a few changes of clothing that is appropriate for warm and chilly days.

Sunscreen/Bug Spray:

If you have not done so yet, please bring in sun screen (also bug spray if you would like). We label each individual product with your child's name and we will let you know if you run low and need to supply more!



Preschool News



Dear Families:

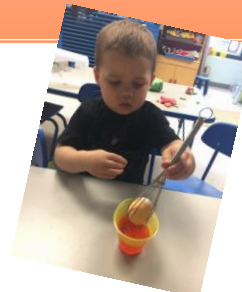
April was such an exciting month! We loved having the opportunity to play outside in many different types of weather, especially the awesome mud! As we get closer to summer we will be transitioning more to an outdoor classroom. Being outside really encourages children's natural play. We find that behavioral issues, mood, creativity, and just overall well-being improve when children are outside! This time of year we are watching as the worms resurface, the ant holes appear in the dirt again, and (as of the last few days) we are watching the leaves begin to sprout on the trees! Science is everywhere!

During the month of April we enjoyed creating Easter crafts, coloring eggs, doing an egg hunt, and preparing for spring! Over vacation week we had free reign of the whole building which allowed for some extra time running and playing games in the gym! We are continuing to work on some academic and listening skills throughout our play, but our routine has become more relaxed. While it is great for children to know their letters and letter sounds, numbers,

What We are Exploring:



We will soon be investigating metamorphosis again! We love to watch the magic of caterpillars turning into butterflies! If you have any books, posters, or information on caterpillars and butterflies that you would like to share with us we would love to borrow them!



how to write their name, etc; it is most important for children to know how to be part of a group, to empathize with their peers, and to develop a love of learning. Social skills are essential! So for the last month and a half of the school year we will be integrating together, as one classroom (instead of dividing up for the morning), to learn from each other.



Important Events



- Friday, May 5th – Believe in Books Character Visit
- Friday, May 5th – Cowboy Concert @ 2:00
- Monday, May 8th – Children’s Museum Field Trip
- Friday, May 12th – Parent’s Night Out
- Monday, May 15th – Family Conferences – **NO PRESCHOOL**
- Tuesday and Wednesday, May 16th and 17th – Kindergarten Registration
- Monday, May 29th – Memorial Day, **NO PRESCHOOL**
- Monday, June 5th – Children’s Museum Field Trip
- Friday, June 16th – Pre-K Graduation Ceremony
- Wednesday, June 21st – Last Day of Preschool – **Early Release 12:30pm**
- Wednesday, July 5th – First Day of Summer Program

Important Reminders

- JBES locks their doors until 3:15pm. If you are dropping off or picking up you must enter through the front office doors.
- Please call when child is going to be absent
- Licensing policy states that children may not attend school if they have a fever, have vomited, or had diarrhea in the past 24 hours. If your child is sent home with any of these symptoms they may not return until 24 hours after that symptom has stopped without the use of medication.



You and your child are important to us.

Should you wish to share something good a teacher has done

or if you ever have a concern, please:

Call: Tiffany Telephone: 603-374-6803 (Cell: 802-839-9995)

Parent’s Night Out

We will have our last parent’s night out on Friday, May 12th! For this night we stay open until 8:30 so parents can have an evening to themselves! Please let us know if you would like to participate. Food and activities are provided. The cost is by donation. We use the money raised from these events to cover the expenses for the night and any extra goes into our playground fund. Most importantly, we want parents to have an evening to be adults while knowing that your child is safe and cared for. Please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board if you would like to participate!



Pre-K Graduation:

We will have our pre-k graduation on Friday, June 16th. This will be a celebration for our children who are moving up to Kindergarten. We are working out all of the details and will provide separate information

Cowboy Concert

Please feel free to join us for the spring concert, “Cowboy Concert,” on Friday, May 5th at 2:00 in the gym. **ONLY THE PRE-K CHILDREN** will be performing a song for this concert. Everyone is welcome to join.

