



## Small Wonders Learning Center May 2019 Newsletter



### From the Office:

Happy May Day to all of our families and Happy Mother's Day to all of our wonderful mothers! With all of the late April showers, we are sure to have beautiful May flowers! We look forward to enjoying them throughout the month! We're always amazed to see the beautiful colors emerge in the spring! Hopefully the warmer weather will arrive soon and stay throughout the month of May. As a reminder, we will be closed **Memorial Day, Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>**.

**Outside Gear:** All of our children will go outside daily. Please be sure to send in a jacket, sweater, or sweatshirt with your child every day. The air can still be a little chilly.

**Summer Schedules:** If your summer care needs are changing, you should have already filled out a schedule change request or stopped by the office. At this time, our program is full and we are not taking any new enrollments. However, we do have a wait list available.

**Summer School Bus:** The Milton Summer School program begins Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup> and will run through Wednesday, July 3<sup>th</sup>. Bus fees were applied in April. The bus leaves 7:50am and will return 11:45am. Please make sure you arrive prior to the bus leaving, if you miss the bus you will be responsible to take your child to their school.

**School Age Summer Program:** The School Age Summer Field Trip program is set and ready to go. Permission slips will be sent out the second week of May. We have some great activities planned for our school age friends. Permission slips are due Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup>. Fees for this program can be paid in full or split between two payments.

**Summer Hold/Fall Return Families:** The Summer Hold/Fall Return fees will be withdrawn on Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Playground:** All children must wear closed-toe shoes on the playground. We ask that you refrain from sending your child in slip-ons, crocs, or clogs because they are dangerous to wear on the playground. If your child wears such a shoe, he/she will not be allowed on the equipment. If you would like to send in an extra pair of playground shoes for your child to keep at Small Wonders, please label them and put them in your child's cubby.

**Outside Safety:** As a reminder, only adults are allowed to open the outside gate to the playground. When leaving the gated area, all children must be accompanied by an adult. In addition when dropping off or picking up your child, please do not allow him/her to run freely across the street or in our parking lot. Our parking lot can be extremely busy at times and we want everyone to be safe.

**Sunscreen:** You may bring in sunscreen starting in May. This form will cover the entire summer. Please check expiration date on each item as we are not able to use expired items. For those families interested in participating in our new **Sunscreen Program**, more information will be out soon. All families need to sign the new **Sunscreen Medication Form** prior to any sunscreen being applied. Forms are available by the elevator and in the classrooms.

**Garden Center:** With Spring well underway, we are so excited to start our outdoor gardens. As part of our curriculum we will introduce the fun of gardening to our children. Several of our classrooms have already planted seeds and have been learning how to take care of their plants. All of our friends will be getting their hands dirty as they help tend to our gardens.

Growing Together with Laughter and Fun!

Miss Beth, Miss Terri, and Miss Julia

### From the Sunshine Room:

As the nice weather continues to move in, we look forward to spending more time outside enjoying the sights and sounds as well as the cool breeze and warm sun on our skin. Our learning units for May will include May Day, Mother's Day, Gardening, Pets and Insects.

We will spend time throughout the month working on tummy time, rolling over, crawling, and walking. We will also be practicing our balance, learning to stand, and walking with toy walkers. We will be working on special gifts for the important women in our lives.

As we start to spend more time outside on walks and enjoying the grassy areas on the playground we'd like to remind our parents to send in a light jacket or sweater with your infant every day. In addition, please send in a hat to help keep the sun out of their eyes and off of their little faces. Please bring in diapers and wipes as needed. If you have not done so already please send in a family photo to be displayed in the classroom. For our pet theme the week of May 13<sup>th</sup> please bring in a picture of your family pet. We would like to wish Nolan, Greyson and Avalynn all a HAPPY 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday!!!



Blooming with springtime flowers!  
Miss Heather and Miss Barb L.



### From the Rainbow Room:

As the flowers start blooming, so are our toddlers. We are so excited for the warm weather and the many activities we have planned for May. Our learning units for the month include Rain, Mother's Day, Flowers, and Bugs. Our activities will include working on our fine motor development and self-help skills such as using a spoon and drinking from a cup. Our friends will be planting seeds during our flower unit. We are also making Mom a super surprise present for Mother's Day! Our fun filled sensory projects will include playing in the sensory table as well as the water table.

As the weather continues to warm, please be sure to switch out your child's extra clothing items for more weather appropriate items. We will be spending more time outside so please dress your child for outside play every day. As a reminder, it can still be a bit chilly in the mornings so please send in a jacket or sweater. In addition, please send in a hat to help keep the sun out of their eyes and off their faces.



Happy Mother's Day!  
Miss Mandy and Miss Lyndsay



### From the Moonbeams:

Happy May! Throughout the month of May we will be talking about Gardening, Mother's Day, Flowers, and Bugs. As we begin a new month, our friends will be busy making "special gifts" for their mom's special day! We will also be enjoying more time outside as the sun continues to shine and the temperatures warm. We love getting outside to enjoy the fresh air and to run and play on the playground.

As we explore through our learning units, we will spend some time working on our scissor skills. Our friends will also be planting their own flowers, learning to tend to them and watching them grow.

We are updating our Family Wall so we would like everyone to bring in two (2) current family photos. Thank you so much! Happy May Birthday wishes go to our friend Flynn. We hope you have a great 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday!



Happy Mother's Day!  
Miss Brittani and Miss Barb S.



## From Milkyways:

First, I would like to say, I have had such a wonderful time getting to know each of my Milkyway friends and their families. Thank you so much for welcoming me and for sharing your children with me!

As May arrives, I want to say, "Happy Mother's Day" to all of the wonderful mothers...I hope you have a super month! My friends will be very busy in May as we explore with our learning units of Mother's Day, Flower Power, Memorial Day, and Bugs. We have so much fun planned for this month. We will start by working on our sensory organization skills while making bubble wrap flowers and a secret Mother's Day project...sshhhh, we want to surprise our moms! We will continue our creativity and using our imaginations as we make tissue paper flowers and flower books.

Please make sure to switch out your child's extra clothes in their nap bins. As the weather warms, we want to make sure we have appropriate items and ones that still fit...my friends have surely grown over the colder months!! Don't forget to send in a jacket every day as we will go outside to play and explore and it can be chilly in the mornings.

I would also like to wish a very **BIG HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to Aria, Alayna and Jack!

Happy Mother's Day! ☺

Miss Melody



## Shooting Stars:

Welcome to the beautiful May flowers and the warmer weather! As we start the last month of our school year, our learning units will be Mother's Day, Fairy Tales, Dinosaurs, and Construction.

We have been working on special gifts for the special ladies in our lives, we can't wait to share them with you. We also will be using our imaginations and have some fun during fairy tale unit. Our class loves to play dress-up. We will also be spending more time outside as the weather continues to get warmer. Please continue to send your child in with a light jacket. In addition, please take a moment to check his or her extra clothing items and exchange them for spring/summer pieces. Reminder: If your child wears a dress or skirt they need to have shorts underneath.

Mark your calendars... our End of The Year Celebration for our friends leaving for kindergarten will on Monday, **May 20<sup>th</sup>**. Keep your eyes open for a note to come home soon. Thank you for sharing your amazing children with us. We are excited to be part of their transition into being a school ager!

Spring has arrived!

Miss Kelly and Miss Taylor and Miss Hanna



**Comets:**

Wow May is here already and that means summer is just around the corner!! With that in mind, we are excited to say our School Age Summer Program is ready to go. Permission slips will be sent home the second week of May to those children who signed up. There are fun activities planned including some of our all time favorites as well as a couple of new adventures.

With the warmer weather slowly arriving, we will continue to spend more time outside both in the morning as well as at night. Please be sure your child has a jacket, sweater, or sweatshirt as it can be a bit chilly in the mornings and late afternoons.

**Reminder:** Small Wonders is closed Monday, **May 27<sup>th</sup>** for Memorial Day. There is a half day on Friday, **May 24<sup>th</sup>**. Here are a few more reminders for our families with school agers:

1. Notify the office of summer care needs. (Should have been done already)
2. Notify the office of your Fall 2019 care needs. (Should have been done already).
3. If your child is attending this summer, the School Age Field Trip Program information will be sent home early May.
4. Please make sure to check your child's mailbox daily! We have noticed that some are getting quite full!



Sunny May Day Wishes!  
School Age Teachers

