

Flair for Fashion Weeks

On Monday, March 14th we will be kicking off our “Flair for Fashion” unit. During this unit, we ask each student to wear a special item, or “Flair” on the days they attend preschool. Each day, the learning activities will incorporate the item in some way. The following is our “Flair” schedule!

March 14	Monday	Pocket day-Wear as many pockets as you can.
March 15	Tuesday	Sunglasses day-Wear your sunglasses today.
March 17	Thursday	Happy St. Patrick’s day-Wear green today.
March 18	Friday	Fancy Pants day-Wear your favorite pants.
March 21	Monday	Socks & Shoes day-Wear socks and shoes.
March 22	Tuesday	Apron day-Wear an apron today.
March 24	Thursday	Park’s farm field trip-Wear your blue preschool t-shirt.
March 25	Friday	Bowling party-Wear socks for bowling!

Abe & Cal Rempe’s Birthday Bowling Bash

During the next few weeks, you will be receiving an evite for Abe and Cal’s bowling birthday party scheduled for Friday, March 25, from 10:30-noon at the Wyoming Civic Center. During the party, we will be bowling at 10:30, eating pizza and cake at 11:15, and then ending the party with more bowling. (We’re planning on the adults eating, too). We would love to have anyone who is around join us for the fun. Siblings are welcome to attend as well. If your child has never participated in candlepin bowling before, you may want to stay with them during the party. While the bowling is pretty much safe, the balls do zip back quickly from the return lane, and some kids have been known to get their fingers smashed. Also, if your child has a food allergy, or is a runner, (someone who tends to run away from events/buildings), it would be great for you to stay, too. Finally, please do not feel obligated to come to the party. We just know how much fun everyone has at these bowling parties, and wanted to include everyone!

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Bike-a-thon News

Our bike-a-thon event is almost here! During the week of March 14th, we will begin charting the laps made by your child on their bike during gross motor activity time. We ask for you to please help your child in gathering sponsors. Sponsors are asked to sponsor a child per lap, or to just give a flat donation. Since we will be having the bike-a-thon in a new location this year, I'm going to guess the following:

2 year old	15-30 laps for the week
3 year old	20-45 laps for the week
4 year old	35-80 laps for the week
5 year old	50-100 laps for the week

Therefore, if someone sponsored a child \$.50 per lap, and the child completed 20 laps, the sponsor would donate \$10.00. (After receiving your child's results, please feel free to adjust the amounts, if needed).

On the final day of the bike-a-thon, we will inform you of your child's total laps. A few weeks after the bike-a-thon, we will send home a picture of your child on his or her bike, and the number of laps completed. If possible, we would love to have all bike-a-thon money turned in by Friday, April 8th. (Of course, we would take any donations after this date, as well. ☺) This year, all bike-a-thon money will be going to the playground. Before school started this year, we had an anonymous donation of \$5,000 dollars to install the playground fence. We would love to be able to build a large climber for the children to use and to purchase the necessary wood chips to cover the playground area. To help us with our goal, we are hoping each family will be able to raise at least \$15.00.

We hope this year's bike-a-thon will be an "easy" fund-raiser for the school. It is always amazing how excited the children get about the bike-a-thon, and how much they benefit from the new purchases. ☺

The following page is your bike-a-thon sponsor sheet. This is mainly for you to be able to keep track of sponsors and donations, and we do not need you to turn this in. ☺ Thank you all so much for your help and support!

Parky's Farm Field Trip

Our field trip to Parky's farm, for all students, is scheduled for Thursday, March 24th. We will be meeting at preschool at 9:30 a.m. and will be taking a school bus to the farm. (Please feel free to drive your children to the field trip if you feel uncomfortable with them riding the school bus.) For safety purposes, if your child is in the Brown Bear, or Polar Bear class, we are asking one adult to attend the field trip for the entire time. ☺ If you have a child in the Very Hungry Caterpillar, or Very Busy Spider classes, you do not need attend, but are welcome to do so.

The activity fee paid at the beginning of the school year pays for all students and one adult per student to attend this field trip. If you are planning on having any siblings, friends, or other adults attend, please mark this on the following Parky's Farm RSVP and pay \$1.00 per extra attendee. (Please note that any children under the age of two, are free.) Parky's farm no longer provides the wonderful box lunches they have in the past, so we are asking each person attending the field trip to bring a paper sack lunch with his or her name on it for the trip.

The following is our "flexible" schedule for the day:

9:30-Arrive to preschool wearing blue preschool shirt and with paper sack lunch with name on it. (No lunch boxes, please.)

9:45-Board the bus. Please note the bus may be a little crowded and you may need to have your child sit on your lap to allow room for everyone attending the field trip. Grandparents and extra adults may want to follow the bus in their car.

10:00-Arrive at Parky's farm and head to the program barn and a puppet show for whole group.

10:15-Divide into classes and start stations.

10:20-Station #1-Wagon Ride

10:40-Station #2-Outside animals

11:00-Station #3-Inside animals

11:20-Station #4-Playground, or indoor games

11:40-Wash hands and eat lunch

12:15-Leave for preschool. (If you are taking your child home, instead of riding the bus, please inform your child's teacher).

12:30-Arrive back at the preschool

Parky's Farm RSVP

Please fill in according to your plans and turn in with any program fees owed to Mrs. Cindy in the preschool office by Friday, March 11. ☺

Student's Name attending field trip: _____
(this student is paid for)

Parent's Name attending field trip: _____
(one parent must attend for a brown bear or a polar bear student)
(this parent is paid for)

Names of any extra adults or siblings attending: _____
(there is a \$1.00 program fee for extras attending; two and under are free)

Total Number attending the field trip: _____

Total Number riding the school bus _____

Total number driving to the farm _____

Total amount owed: _____

*Please note that we will be asking you to fill out a state of Ohio permission slip a few days before the field trip.

We look forward to seeing you down on the farm. ☺