

OAK GROVE LEARNING TREE NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

We hope you and your family are having a fun and safe Summer! The Learning Tree is very full this summer and much credit goes to those of you who have referred your family and friends to us - we appreciate your support. Have a great time with family and enjoy the sun this summer - but please read and follow the Sun Safety tips below.

This is another reminder that due to the \$1.50 raise to the minimum wage, our tuition is undergoing our most drastic increase to date. We sincerely apologize for the stress this puts on our families and do not take this decision lightly. Specific info about this was sent in an email and can also be found at the front desk.

Once again, please let us know of any questions or concerns you may have about anything here at the Learning Tree and again, thank you for trusting us to care for your most prized possessions....your children.

Andrea, Laurie & Scott



SUN SAFETY

After a long Winter and Spring, we are all enjoying fun outdoor activities and sunny days. But precautions are necessary for ourselves and especially for children. UVA and UVB rays penetrate the skin resulting in aging of the skin, risk of skin cancer, and eye cataracts and damage adds up over a lifetime. It is thought that 80% of lifetime sun exposure (and damage) occurs before the age of 18. Protect your children and help them develop safe habits by being a model yourself: Reduce your sun exposure (particularly from midday sun), seek shade whenever possible, always use sunscreen, and always wear protective clothing especially hats and sunglasses.

A Couple of Reminders:

All tuition is due by the 10th of each month and a \$20.00 late fee will be added after the 10th unless you set up a payment plan. And please don't forget to initial the book when signing out your child each day. **Thank You**



GUPPIES

Hello from Guppyland! The Guppies had a great time with Father's Day projects. We hope all the dads had a great day! This month, we will be looking forward to Independence Week, Summer Food, and Camping themes. For curriculum, we will be discussing colors, shapes, learning about food, and the 4th of July. Make sure to check out the lunch room board since it is the Guppies turn to decorate! We want to welcome Alivia to our class and say goodbye to Oscar. Couple reminders: please take home extra coats since we have a lot in our collection, check your child's mailbox daily, and please, do not bring small toys from home. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to ask. Thank You for letting us be an important part of your child's life,

Teachers Aleah, Tatyana, Hayley & Tonya



FROM THE POOL

Good news! We have a potential swim teacher who is interested in starting in August. We will follow up next month with this, but for now, keep your fingers crossed!



STARFISH

Look What's Happening: We hope everyone has a happy 4th of July! This month's themes will be: We Love America; The Great

Outdoors; Robots and Dinosaurs, and Vacation. We will continue to have circle time to focus on the letters W, X, Y, and Z, shapes, and colors. The Starfish are doing an amazing job with their Potty Training and Projects!

Special Students: We are sad to say goodbye to Zeke and Elliot, who are moving away, but are happy to welcome Oscar from the Guppy room!

How Parents Can Help: Please check outgoing mail every day, bring sunblock to school, and please, make sure your child has extra summer clothes. And sorry, no toys from home.

How to Contact the Teacher: I'm here everyday M-F 8:30 am - 5:00 pm.

Teacher Kerry



MINNOWS

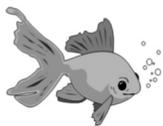
Wow summer is flying by! It's hard to believe it is July already. The minnows have an exciting month ahead. We have lots of projects planned for this month. Our topics will be:

We Love America, The Great Outdoors, To the Beach and Sea Animals. For curriculum, we will be reviewing the alphabet and numbers 1 - 20.

Sadly, we are sorry to say goodbye to teacher Jennafer who has been with us for over two years. Thankfully, we have a new teacher, Ms. Vanesa, who is stepping in to be the teaching for the Minnows!

A couple reminders: please check cubbies when you pick up, bring extra summer clothes with names on them, and we also are requesting that you don't send your children with flip-flops to school - please have them wear shoes and socks so they don't get slivers from the bark chips on our playground. Finally, no toys from home anymore. Thank you for trusting us to teach your children!

Teachers April & Bridgette



GOLDFISH

Happy Independence Day! The Goldfish themes for July will be Flags/4th of July, Summer Foods and Safety, Vacationing and Dinosaurs.

For curriculum, we will be reviewing letters and numbers. We are now up to 24 sight words. Try quizzing your child on them at home!

The Goldfish have been doing great in all learning activities and are improving daily. They are also creating great crafts that can be seen throughout the room.

A couple announcements: We will be having a picnic on July 14th, with more information to follow. Show and tell will be on Fridays only. Our VIP for the first half of the month is Jordy, with the second half to be determined. Thank you, and remember if you have any questions or concerns please talk to us anytime.

Teachers Kelly, Anna, Kaeleena & Emily



DOLPHINS

The Dolphins are doing GREAT! We are about to start field trips on Wednesdays and teacher Amanda is excited to join this year!

We have been doing many review activities this Summer especially Shapes, Letters, Numbers, Flashcards and Patterning. Our themes for July will be Independence Day & Flags, Vacationing, Dinosaurs, and Fairy Tales.

This month, we are excited to welcome Odysseus, Dizzy, to our class! Please bring sunscreen, as we don't want the Dolphins turning into lobsters.

Please remember if your child wears flip-flops to school, send socks and tennis shoes as well, particularly on the days of our outings as many places require it. Try to bring a blanket for naptime. Kids may bring a small toy everyday in the summer. Have a fun and safe summer!

Teacher Amanda & Victoria



SHARKS

Hello to all! We hope you have a wonderful 4th of July and a great summer! We are just starting our summer field trip schedule and you can help with constant reminders to your children to follow the rules and always be in sight of the group especially at the parks. We love going to the library and we have reading time every afternoon, so please plan on your Shark bringing a book to the Learning Tree. You should also look for your child to be completing daily curriculum that will prep them for their next year in school. Our monthly themes and projects will be Leap Into the Summer, Water Fun, Imagine and Jungle Magic.

A few reminders: Please have children wear tennis shoes on our field trip days. And remember, electronics or toys are allowed on in-house days and be sure to LABEL EVERYTHING, limit it to just a couple of items at a time and keep them in their backpacks - they are responsible for their own items. If you have any questions or concerns please bring them to our attention.

Thank You,

Teachers Darlene & Mona