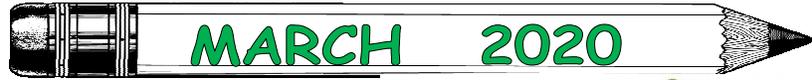


OAK GROVE LEARNING TREE NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

We continue to enroll lots of new families here at the Learning Tree and we know you have lots of options, so we thank you for choosing us to care for your children. And again, thanks to those of you who have referred us to friends and neighbors. Also, we are still looking for parents who would be willing to write testimonials for our website or Yelp. They don't need to be long and detailed - just a line or two would be great. So if you can think of anything nice to say about us, we'd appreciate the comment!

With taxes due next month, remember to ask Andrea if you need financial information for filing this year. 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

Creating a Bedtime Routine

Bedtime is a very important time for your child and a stressful time for parents. A bedtime ritual which you repeat every night will give your child a sense of security and also something to look forward to. As an example: Begin the ritual about an hour beforehand. Bath for 20 minutes with at least half that time for playing; read stories for another 20 minutes; then spend a few minutes together talking about all the good things that happened that day; finally take 5 minutes quiet time (for a prayer, meditation, quiet song, etc.). You can also cut all of these times in half and complete the ritual in 30 minutes.

You might be amazed at the difference this makes!



Reminder:

All public schools will be out the week of March 23rd through March 27th for Spring Break. There are a couple of other days when some schools are out or have early release. Be sure to check the school closure list near the front door.

(Note: The Learning Tree WILL be open all of these days)

GUPPIES



Hello from Guppyland! First, thanks to all who brought goodies for our Valentine's Party - it was great fun! This month we are very excited to welcome Mae to the Guppy room and we look forward to getting to know our new friend. Our themes for March will be St. Patrick's Day, Flowers, Rainbow Week, and the beginning of Spring & Easter. The guppies are doing great with our many projects - learning to glue, color, paint, and playing sharing games. We are also excited to start making flowers and planting our garden.

Reminders: We ask that you do not bring any small toys from home. Please remember to check your child's cubby for extra clothes, with correct sizes (especially a coat) and also check your child's mailbox. We are excited to move into March decorating our room with the Luck of the Irish!

Teachers Aleah, Hayley, Tatyana & Evie



STARFISH

Look What's Happening:

Thank you to those of you who brought Valentine's treats last month! Our March themes we will be Spring, Insects, Think Green and Spring Babies. Of course we will also have Circle Time and lots of projects and activities. Our focus will be on the letters P & B, the color Green, and basic numbers. Our main goals are still potty training and learning to share.

Special Students: We say goodbye to Kingston, Emiko & Mackenzie this month, but are excited to welcome Arthenea to our classroom!

Upcoming Events: Green eggs and ham on the Friday before St. Patrick's Day!

How Parents Can Help: Please bring a jacket everyday and remember, no toys from home. This is also a reminder to bring a water bottle. Remember to check mail daily. Happy Spring!

Teacher Kerry



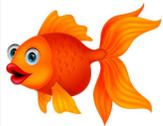
MINNOWS

The Minnows are very excited that Spring is almost here! For March projects we will be learning about Differences, Rhymes, Spring Time, & Gardening. We want thank all who brought goodies for our Valentine's Party - it was a fun time!

In March our curriculum will focus on the letters S & T, the number 7, triangles and the color blue. We will also be tracing, cutting, and matching shapes most days of the week. The Minnows are excited to welcome our three new friends in March: Kingston, Mackenzie & Emiko!

A few reminders: Please check your child's mailboxes for projects to go home - they are so excited to show you what they have done. Show-N-Tell is on Friday only. This month we are going outside as much as possible, so please remember to have your child wear proper shoes and a jacket. If you have any questions or concerns don't hesitate to bring them to our attention. Thank you for your amazing support!

Teachers Kathryn & Brie



GOLDFISH

It's March and there's green everywhere, and the Goldfish are all on the lookout for Leprechauns!

Thanks to those who brought treats for our fun Valentine's Party - the Goldfish had a blast!

This month's themes will be Spring Time, Think Green, Life Cycles and the Circus. Show-and-Tell will always be on Fridays, so please remember a small toy.

The Goldfish are currently working on sight words such as "do", "he" & "my", the letters R, S, T, & U and the numbers 18 - 21. The kids have been working very hard on their letters and numbers and memorizing the current site words!

Please remember to have appropriate sized clothes, especially a coat since we will be going outside as much as possible. The Goldfish are ready for spring and can't wait to decorate our class for Easter!

Teachers Kelly, Devin & Baylee



DOLPHINS

I'm so excited about the Dolphin's progress this school year! Their writing is getting much better. Be sure to ask you child about our new reward system, called Dolphin Dollars, where they can spend money earned in our Dolphin Store on Fridays. We welcome March with fun projects based on St. Patrick's day and the Spring. We will continue to read in the afternoons after school.

A Couple of Reminders: Spring Break this year is March 23rd through March 27th and public schools will be closed. Have your child bring a coat everyday and only bring one small toy for those non-school days. Any more than that, and they tend to get lost. Be sure to label everything! And yes, they are allowed to bring electronics, but time will be limited. Finally, be sure to wear green on St. Patrick's Day - the 17th, where we will also be doing a Pot of Gold Hunt!

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Teacher Lizzie



SHARKS

Hello to all! Spring is just around the corner, and we have a busy month planned. Spring break is the 23rd - 27th, so if you are on vacation, please let us know at the front desk. Remember St. Patrick's Day on the 17th - be sure to wear green! Our themes for projects will be Think Green, On the Farm, I love Nature & Springtime. Remember: Toys and Electronics are allowed on Fridays and non-school days only. Please label all your child's toys and games, and remember to send a coat for our outside times. If you have a question, feel free to ask!

Teachers Madison & Susie