



# Little Village Preschool

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## April 2024 News from the Office...

We had a fantastic March with all things "Seuss—ical"! The children really enjoyed this learning unit! And the staff did their best not to get tongue tied as they read "The Cat In The Hat" and "Fox in Socks"!

We did our best on St. Patrick's Day to trap the leprechaun, but alas, he got away again. Not without leaving a mess in his wake of course! The leprechaun traps were really well thought out—but that leprechaun is just too good for us! Rainbow week was bright and colorful and really got us in the mood for some warm spring weather!

Rainbow Week and Easter concluded the month of March as we move on to April. Our Easter Party was a huge success and the kids were so excited to color eggs!

Speaking of warmer weather, please take home all boots and snowpants if you haven't done so already. Pretty soon we'll be asking you to bring in swimsuits, water shoes, towels and sunscreen!! Just a quick reminder that no flip flops or crocs are to be worn at school (sorry!).

A reminder that Pre K graduation is coming up in May (May15th). Another school year has just flown by. The ceremony will be held at the Maumee Indoor Theater, and all children must arrive by no later than 6:15 pm. Bring your cameras, your phones and your tissues as this ceremonial end arrives for all our friends about to go off to the big school. There is no limit to the number of family members that can attend the ceremony. Children will be in full graduation gear, and they should also wear comfortable shoes (no high heels please!). ALSO, all graduating students will need to bring in a shoe box prior to May 1st.

Also coming up in May, we celebrate our mummies on Friday, May 10th with our annual Art Show and Muffins with Moms. This will take place after nap.

Last but not least, we want to congratulate the Julius family on the birth of their baby girl, Freya and congratulate our very own Miss Maddy on the birth of her baby girl, Remmedy. We can't wait to meet you girls!

## \*\*April Themes\*\*

Oceans, Frogs, Bugs,  
Gardens, Weather, Baby  
Animals, Life Cycles,



## April Birthdays

Emmett K.	5
Skylar D.	4
Josie a.	3
Parker W.	5
Finley J.	3
Dominic S.	1
Allie H.	4
Liam H.	4
Cainan R.	5

Miss Tiffany R.  
Miss Tiffany B.  
Miss Kelsey

Happy  
BIRTHDAY

Spring has sprung in the infant room! In March, it was so hard to say goodbye to Calvin when he moved up to the Toddler I group, but we got to meet two new friends, Jude and Vivian. In fact, Jude will be our April Student of the Month! He is a sweet and easygoing baby who loves snuggles. It's been a joy getting to know him.

Our baby room is full of milestones—Johnny is walking, Levi is crawling and Kalliber, Vivian, and Jude have all found their own unique ways to get where they want to be! Dominic is turning 1!

Through our April themes we will be exploring seasons, weather, animals and plants. When we learn about weather, the babies will get to explore water and help make it rain! When we learn about plants, the children will get to explore how different plants feel and will get to paint with flowers!

We are so excited to see what new things April has in store for us!

### Miss Ashley (Miss Maddy is on maternity leave) —Toddler I News

HAPPY APRIL TODDS I! MISS MADDY HAS HAD HER BABY, AND I HAVE HAD SO MUCH FUN WITH THE TODDS I SO FAR! I AM VERY EXCITED FOR ANOTHER MONTH! I HOPE EVERYONE HAS A WONDERFUL EASTER! I HAVE A LOT OF FUN ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR APRIL.

THE FIRST WEEK, OUR THEME IS EASTER! WE WILL BE USING OUR FINE MOTOR SKILLS WHILE PAINTING WITH PEEPS.

THE FOLLOWING WEEK WILL BE AN OCEAN THEME. WE WILL BE HAVING A MOVIE DAY ON FRIDAY THE 12TH WHERE WE WILL BE WATCHING "FINDING NEMO"!

AFTER THIS, WE WILL BE DIVING INTO FLOWERS, BUGS AND FROGS. THE KIDS WILL BE DOING SOME DRAMATIC PLAY ACTIVITIES, DRESSING UP AS BUGS. WE WILL ALSO BE USING GROSS MOTOR SKILLS TO JUMP FROM LILY PAD TO LILY PAD!

FOR THE LAST WEEK OF APRIL, WE WILL BE LEARNING ABOUT LIFE CYCLES AND ANIMALS.

OUR STUDENT OF THE MONTH WILL BE RHYS! HE IS A WONDERFUL ADDITION TO OUR CLASSROOM AND WE CAN'T WAIT TO WATCH HIM LEARN AND GROW WITH US!

HAPPY APRIL TO YOU ALL!

Hello Families and happy Spring (finally!!)!! With the weather warming up, just a reminder to make sure your child has weather appropriate changes of clothes in their cubby, ESPECIALLY if we are working on potty training!

April is a fun month for us—we will be starting to go on walks again to promote physical motor development. That being said, if you haven't signed the permission slip for your child so they can go, please be sure to do so. Our kiddos love going on walks and having a change of scenery! For the purposes of transport, please be aware that we take the kids in a stroller or large wagon (they're not actually walking—we are!)

This month, we will be doing lots of sensory bin activities related to our themes—Easter, oceans, plants/gardens, frogs and bugs, and more!) These bins will also encourage physical motor development as well.

Todds II Student of the Month will be Moses! Although Moses just started at LVP recently, he's already been a great addition to our class and is adjusting quickly! Way to go Moses!

I would also like to give a special student shout out to my friend Lacey. In the past few weeks, Lacey has picked up some sign language, found her voice, and has started making great strides toward potty training. Keep up the great work Lacey!

Birthday shout outs go to Josie, who will turn 3 on the 7th and Finley, who will be 3 on the 30th. Happy Birthday Friends!

Thank you!

Miss Angela

## Miss Kami— Preschool I

HELLO AND WELCOME TO THE MONTH OF APRIL! APRIL SHOWERS BRING MAY FLOWERS! HOPEFULLY, IT DOESN'T RAIN TOO MUCH SO WE CAN SPEND SOME MUCH NEEDED TIME OUTSIDE!!

I WANTED TO WELCOME A NEW STUDENT TO OUR GROUP— BAILEY! SHE JUST MOVED UP TO THE BIG KID ROOM FROM TODDLERS AND SHE IS DOING GREAT. I THINK ALL HER OLD FRIENDS FROM THE TODDLER ROOM ARE HAPPY TO SEE HER WITH US!

THE FIRST TWO WEEKS OF APRIL, WE WILL BE WORKING ON LIFE CYCLES. BE SURE TO CHECK OUT OUR CLASSROOM TO SEE WHAT WE WILL BE GOING OVER AND EXPLORING. DURING THE NEXT TWO WEEKS, WE WILL FOCUS ON OCEANS, AND THE LAST TWO WEEKS WE WILL DIVE INTO A WEATHER THEME. WE WILL ALSO CELEBRATE EARTH DAY BY MAKING OUR OWN HANDPRINT EARTHS!

WE WILL ALSO FOCUS ON LETTERS R AND U, NUMBER 14, SHAPE OF AN OVAL, THE COLOR BLUE AND OUR TEACHER'S CHOICE AUTHOR, JACQUELINE WOODSON AND OUR ARTIST OF THE MONTH: REMBRANDT.

BE SURE AND CHECK OUR CLASSROOM CALENDAR FOR TWO SHOW AND TELL DAYS! THE FIRST WILL BE TO BRING SOMETHING THAT STARTS WITH THE LETTER U AND THE SECOND WILL BE TO BRING SOMETHING THAT BEGINS WITH THE LETTER R.

OUR STUDENT OF THE MONTH WILL BE BRINLEY! BRINLEY IS A FUNNY AND KIND FRIEND TO ALL! SHE IS ABLE TO RECOGNIZE ALMOST ALL 26 LETTERS! CONGRATS BRINLEY!

HAPPY APRIL EVERYONE!!

## MISS ANGEL—PRESCHOOL II

Happy April! We had so much fun in March building leprechaun traps and coloring Easter eggs. This we'll dive deeper into the things that happen during the springtime. We'll spend some time learning about life cycles of butterflies and plants, and we'll even begin to watch roots sprout and seeds germinate in our classroom window when we plant our green bean seeds with water and paper towels. Soon after that, when the weather stays consistently warm, we'll watch caterpillars grow and see the process in which they turn into butterflies right here in the classroom. **By Friday, April 5th, please bring in 3–4 photos of your child at various ages in order to create their own life cycle (this is a fantastic social emotional project to help them understand the process of a life cycle).**

We'll learn about our country of the month, the Netherlands, when we learn about life cycles as well. Specifically, the fields of tulips! On Friday, April 12th, have your child bring in something that starts with letter U for show and tell to help us learn about one of our letter of the month.

In preparation for Earth day and Arbor Day, we'll spend a week talking about the ocean! Not only in regard to the animals that live there, but also the importance of keeping it clean! The rest of the month will be spent discussing the weather, particularly what you see in the spring. The kids enjoy watching a live weather radar, and will have opportunities to report their observations in our weather station dramatic play center!

On Friday, the 26th, we'll have another show and tell—bring in something that begins with the letter R.

This month, we have three birthdays to celebrate—all on the same day! Be sure to wish Allie, Liam and Skylar a Happy 4th Birthday!

Our student of the month will be Skylar. Skylar makes every day interesting and has such a spunky personality!

I hope everyone enjoys the month of April!

## Miss Sarah—Pre K I News

WELCOME TO THE MONTH OF APRIL! WE HAD A REALLY BUSY MONTH IN MARCH WITH DR. SEUSS WEEK, THE BEGINNING OF SPRING AND ST. PATRICK'S DAY. SPRING IS IN THE AIR AND IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE HOW QUICKLY THE SCHOOL YEAR IS FLYING BY! THE PRESCHOOLERS WILL BE MOVING ON FROM EASTER THEME TO A WEATHER THEME. WE WILL START BY EXPLORING THE WEATHER OUTSIDE EACH DAY. WE WILL USE THE DATA WE GATHER TO GRAPH WEATHER PATTERNS. IN THE SCIENCE AREA, WE WILL HAVE AN EXPERIMENT MAKING A TORNADO IN A JAR AND MAKING A RAINBOW WITH A CD AND FLASHLIGHT! WE WILL USE OUR WRITING SKILLS TO WRITE WEATHER WORDS IN THE DRAMATIC PLAY AREA AS WE TURN IT INTO A WEATHER STATION. HOPEFULLY, YOU WILL FIND THAT YOU HAVE YOUR VERY OWN WEATHER HELPER AT HOME! ONE OF THE SONGS THAT WE WILL LEARN IS CALLED "UNDER THE RAINBOW".

ANOTHER WEEK OF APRIL IS GOING TO BE ALL ABOUT POND LIFE. WE WILL DISCUSS THE LIFE CYCLES OF DUCKS, FROGS, WORMS AND TURTLE! OUR ART WORK WILL BE GEARED TOWARD CREATING A GROUP POND. THE CHILDREN WILL WATCH THE LIFE CYCLE OF A BUTTERFLY AS WELL IN THE CLASS ROOM!

OUR STUDENT OF THE MONTH WILL BE SCARLETT! AND BIG HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES GO TO PARKER AND EMMETT!

### \*\*April Points of Focus\*\*

Letters of the Month: R & U

Color: Blue

Shape: Oval

Country: The Netherlands

Artist: Rembrandt

Number: 14

Author: Teacher's Choice



## MISS ELAINE'S PRE K II NEWS

WELCOME TO THE MONTH OF APRIL! SPRING IS FINALLY HERE! I HOPE YOUR EASTER HOLIDAY WAS WONDERFUL, WITH THE EASTER BUNNY ARRIVING RIGHT ON TIME WITH A BASKET FULL OF GOODIES!

THE COUNTRY FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL IS THE NETHERLANDS. WE WILL LEARN ABOUT THE DUTCH CULTURE AND RESEARCH THE ORIGINAL NAME FOR WOODEN SHOES. WE WILL ALSO LEARN ABOUT WHAT TYPES OF FLOWER IS IMPORTED FROM THE NETHERLANDS TO THE UNITED STATES. HERE'S A HINT: IT STARTS OUT AS A FLOWER BULB AND BLOOMS IN EARLY SPRING. WE WILL USE OUR SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY SKILLS TO EXPLORE THE POSITION AND MOTION OF OBJECTS AS WE MAKE A WORKING PINWHEEL TO REPRESENT THE WINDMILLS OF THE NETHERLANDS.

THIS MONTH OUR PRE-K CLASS WILL ENGAGE IN AN EDUCATIONAL HANDS ON CLASS PROJECT WITH THE LIFE CYCLE OF A BUTTERFLY. THIS PROJECT WILL REACH ACROSS ALL DEVELOPMENTAL STANDARDS FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD. WE WILL WATCH AND DISCOVER HOW THE CATERPILLARS GROW AND DEVELOP INTO MATURE BUTTERFLIES. THE CHILDREN WILL GET TO SEE US CLOSE ALL OF THE CHANGES THAT HAPPEN WITH THE BUTTERFLY LIFE CYCLE IN OUR CLASSROOM. WE WILL READ THE STORY "THE VERY HUNGRY CATERPILLAR" AND RETELL THE STORY WITH OUR FLANNEL BOARD. WE WILL USE OUR JOURNALS TO DRAW A PICTURE OF " IF I WERE A BUTTERFLY, WHAT WOULD I SEE?" WE WILL USE OUR MATH SKILLS TO COUNT THE DAY FROM CATERPILLARS TO BUTTERFLIES AND PLAY A BUTTERFLY FLOOR PUZZLE AND USE OUR CREATIVE ART SKILLS TO MAKE HANDY DANDY CATERPILLARS AND WINGED WONDERS. I REALLY ENJOY THIS SPECIAL CLASS PROJECT AND WATCHING THE CHILDREN LEARN ABOUT NATURE!

SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR 2024 PRE-K GRADUATION ON MAY 15TH AT THE MAUMEE INDOOR THEATER. I AM SURE YOU WILL NOT WANT TO MISS IT, IT WILL BE AN AWESOME PROGRAM!

BIRTHDAY WISHES GO OUT TO CAINAN! CAINANA WILL ALSO BE THE STUDENT OF THE MONTH FOR APRIL. CAINAN IS A SWEET BOY WITH A GREAT PERSONALITY AND ENJOYS PLAYING WITH ALL HIS FRIENDS AND CLASSMATES!

HAPPY SPRING!- MISS ELAINE





