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From the Director
Happy Spring!

The weather has been beautiful lately, and we're all so glad to be able to get outside and play! Spring is definitely in the air as we anxiously await the arrival of our caterpillars on April 28!

Of course there's still plenty of fun and learning going on inside too!

The children are sure to enjoy the curriculum theme for April,

"Blasting Off to Outer Space!" There's lots to explore in the Milky Way galaxy including The Big Dipper and The Little Dipper and more.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at our 3rd Annual Art Show on Thursday, April 10.

Increasing social awareness is our Social Studies theme this month—Rights, Responsibilities and the Roles of Citizenship will be explored by

all classes.

Enjoy the Spring recess!

Best,
Pat



Special Dates:

Tuesday, April 1,
Wednesday, April 2 &
Friday, April 4 - Etiquette Workshop - "Sunday Dinner"

Thursday, April 3 - Kindergarten visit to Stango's Restaurant

Thursday, April 10—Art Show from 6:00—7:30 pm

Thursday, April 17 - Pass-over Celebration

Friday, April 18—Friday, April 25—Spring Recess—School Closed

Monday, April 28—School Resumes

Tuesday, April 29 &
Wednesday April 30 - International Days

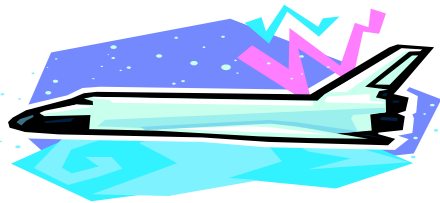
Reminder: Summer is just around the corner!

North Shore Day School is transformed into North Shore Day Camp in the summer months, offering children an easy transition from school to summertime. Providing a safe, nurturing and FUN environment with age-appropriate activities and facilities. Our unique Stepping Stones Program is specifically designed to meet the needs of your child!

For more information on North Shore Day Camp or to meet with our camp directors, please call 516-676-0904 to schedule an appointment for a tour or come to the Open House on Sunday, April 13 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm

Curriculum Corner—Toddlers

This month we are "Blasting Off to Outer Space!" We'll learn about astronauts flying the space shuttles to the International Space Station and beyond. Watch out NASA — here come the Toddlers!



Our color of the month is yellow, the shape is oval and our number is 5. Letters of the month are W,X,Y, Z. In Science we will begin to explore the solar system.

Our community helper of the month is the astronaut. We will learn about some of the things he does in space.

In etiquette we will be "Out and About with Catherine the Cat"

Learning the proper way to address our family and friends.

We are excited that Spring has finally arrived and we can go outside. We are looking forward to visiting the horses, the llama and the other animals here at school.

We have been working hard on our art projects and can't wait to show them to you at our annual Art Show. You will be amazed at what you see!

Curriculum Corner—Nursery-3

Fly me to the moon—and back—in a rocket ship! We'll be learning about astronauts, space shuttles, the moon, the sun, stars, planets, and more as we learn about "Blasting Off to Outer Space."

Our other Science project this month will be experimenting with items that are opposite—ones that either sink or float.

In character study we will learn

about honesty. We will be working with the color yellow, the oval shape, the numbers 9 and 10 and the letters Y and Z.

Recycle and Reuse: The Recycling Center is our Social Studies topic this month while in Etiquette we will be "Out and About with Catherine the Cat."

Our nursery rhyme of the month is "Tickle My Nose."

April showers bring...puddles—we are world-renowned for our puddle-jumping skills



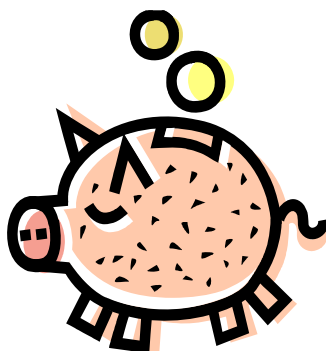
Curriculum Corner—Pre-K

Greetings Earthlings! The theme for this month is "Blasting Off to Outer Space!" We will learn that we live on the planet Earth and that our Solar System includes Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune and dwarf planet Pluto as well as other constellations in our galaxy, The Milky Way.

We will learn what astronauts do aboard the Space Shuttle as they head for the International Space Station.

Our book this month is "Caps for Sale" by Esphyr Slobodkina

In Math we will learn about "money" including the values of quarters, dimes, nickels, pennies and of course dollar bills.



Our opposites this month are wet/dry and sink/float. Coins sink, but dollar bills float!

The color of the month is yellow, the shape is oval and we are counting up to 20 too!

We complete the alphabet this month with the letters Y and Z and continue learning our rhyming words.

Recycle and Reuse: The Recycling Center will be discussed in Social Studies.

We are busy little bees in Pre-K!

Curriculum Corner—Kindergarten

Spring has surely sprung in Kindergarten! We will continue learning all about seeds, plants, bugs and insects. Ask your child to explain the plant life cycle to you! We'll take some nature walks



here on our grounds and try to identify the insects we see.

We will talk about Earth Day and Recycling and how important it is to save our planet.

Our 'budding' readers will learn about sequencing in stories. Our author of the month is Kevin Henkes. We will read his award winning 'Mouse' books, featuring Chester, Chrysanthemum, Julius, Lilly, Owen, Sheila Rae, Wemberly and Wendell.

In Math we will work on simple addition and subtraction while in etiquette we will be "Out and About with Catherine the Cat."

Our Social Studies topic this month is the Rights, Responsibilities and Roles of Citizenship.

We're so excited that spring is here and we can play outside at all the fun play areas at school!

Partners in Parenting: Developing Self-Esteem

Step one in developing your child's self-esteem begins with you!

Listen up!

Listening to your child is one way to help build their self-esteem. When you listen it shows that their ideas, thoughts and feelings are confirmed and matter to you.

Healthy Self-Esteem

A healthy self-esteem is your child's first defense against the world's challenges.

Children who have a healthy self-esteem tend to handle conflicts better and are generally optimistic and enjoy life.

Unhealthy Self-Esteem

A child with low self-esteem tends to be easily disappointed in themselves.

Building Self-Esteem

Building self-esteem begins when a child is still an infant. Praise their accomplishments no matter how small.

Building your child's self esteem lets them know that not only do they matter but others do to.



3rd Annual Art Show



Our students have been busy creating artwork for our 3rd Annual Art Show.

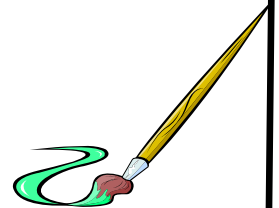
They are so excited to show you their works of art!

Please mark your calendar!

Date:

Thursday,
April 10 from
6:00 - 7:30.

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information, please call us at 516-
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North Shore Day School has been providing a nurturing, warm and caring educational environment for children ages 2-5 since 1943. We offer you and your child the perfect blend of social, academic and creative programming including fine arts, computers, gym, music, French, Spanish, cooking and etiquette.

We provide a loving, caring environment where we encourage each child to develop positive self-esteem and strong social skills with their peers. Our mission is to form a "Partnership with Parents" to provide a positive foundation for your child's first school experience.

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