



Discovery News

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Calendar for April and May

Time to mark your calendars again!

- April 2 & 3.....LPN Prusak visits 3's & 4's
- April 84's Conferences
- April 10.....Good Friday-No School
- April 13-17Spring Recess
- May 11 & 12.. Children's Author Barbara Fincken Visits
- May 20 (rain date 22nd).....4's Walking Field Trip to
.....Tatro's Pond.
- May 25.....Memorial Day - No School
- May 29.....Ice Cream Social and Raffle Drawing!
- May TBD..... 3's Trip to Priscilla's Farm

End of year dates to remember

- June 2 & 3End of Year Picnics
- June 44's Graduation Rehearsal
.....10 :00 AM -11:30 AM
- June 44's Graduation Ceremony
graduates dropped off at 6:30 PM, Ceremony at 7:00 PM.

4's Conference Time

Please be sure to see your child's teacher to set up a conference. This is especially helpful for students entering Kindergarten. You and your child's teacher will have time to review Kindergarten readiness skills.

Kindergarten Registration for Winchester Students

Many of you have inquired with regard to Kindergarten Registration in Winchester for your child, we have not been given any confirmed dates as of this newsletter. I would suggest that you call Hinsdale School at 379-5956 or Batcheller School at 379-5423.

Edna & Paul Lewis Scholarship Raffle

The Annual Edna & Paul Lewis Scholarship raffle planning has begun. This is one of the biggest fundraisers of the year. We have raised nearly \$2,000.00 in the past to add to our scholarship fund. This fund was created to assist families who might find it difficult to meet the cost of tuition for a variety of reasons.

The raffle will be held on Friday, May 29, 2009. We are looking for volunteers to help out, if you are interested, please speak to Tanya. Your assistance is greatly appreciated. If you are receiving scholarship funds, please make every effort to help if you can.

Thank you to Goulet Printing for printing the tickets and also thank you to the Winsted Fire Dept. for the loan of the raffle cage to mix the tickets before

drawing. We will have one grand prize this year of \$2,000.00. Tickets are being printed and should be available to families before our Spring Recess. We ask that each family sell at least 30 tickets. If you need more, let Tanya know. The evening of the drawing we will invite you and your family to join us for ice cream sundaes.

Curriculum

It is hard to believe that the end of the year is approaching! This month and through the end of the year we still have lots to learn about. We have already begun our Fairy Tales for 4's. Mother Goose Rhymes for 3's and later in the both classes will learn about the importance of Earth Day. The 3's will take a field trip to Priscilla's Farm in Winsted, early May. We will also be incubating chick eggs in the classroom. The 4's will visit Tatro's Pond to collect pond life and watch it in the classroom, that's right a pond in the classroom!

Spring Field Trips

Spring is a very busy time of the year for us at CDC. Please be sure to look for information in your child's mailboxes for up-coming field trips. All the classes will be going somewhere in the beginning of May. We will need lots of parent helpers! Even the use of a truck to carry pond life back to the school. Due to the responsibilities and duties of the volunteers needed on the upcoming field trips it is requested that if you would like to volunteer if you could please leave other child at home under the care of someone else.

Graduation Preparations

We are looking for some helpers! Part of our preparation for graduation includes assembling the graduation hats. We are looking for a few parents of the three-year old class to help us, so the four-year old parents can be surprised the night of graduation! If you are a parent of a non-graduating child and are able to help with this project, please see Tanya.

There will also be an opportunity to help the evening of graduation with refreshments, set-up and clean-up projects.

Thank you for your generous donations!

Last month we received: Juice, oranges, cookies, strawberries, animal crackers, shredded wheat, carrots, donuts, tomatoes, bagels, cucumbers, apples, celery, teddy grahams, cheese nips, raisins, ranch salad dressing, bee grahams, banana muffins, gold fish crackers and sharp cheddar cheese

Non-food items included: Baking soda

The students and families that donated these items were: Isabella Zaragosa, Leger Sobol, Elijah Connors, Colby Sanden, Adam Biraga, Jacob Linnetz, Gage Flaherty, Cameron Hollis, Olivia Prusak, Jayden Robotham, Laila Hollis, Katelynn Case and Karl Janak.

We extend a very special thank you to those who went on the walking field trip with the 4's to Dr. Wasko's Office. Your help is greatly appreciated!