

WILD LILAC PRESCHOOL

HONORING ALL CHILDREN

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Daffodil House March 2010 Newsletter

What we've been up to:

February was a busy and exciting month for us at Daffodil House. We decorated our Valentine mailboxes (thank you to all you parents who donated boxes – we greatly appreciate it!), made oodles of Valentine's for family and friends, and of course we had our lovely Valentine's Day Tea. With the creation of our Valentines, we noticed many of our kids' writing skills have exploded in the recent months. Now not only are students recognizing their names or letters in their names, but they are now able to reproduce many or all of these letters. We've also noticed an increased interest in the children's desire to learn to write their names, or even their friends' names. Helen started an amazing documentation project to reflect on our students emerging writing skills. Please take a look the next time you are in the classroom!

What we're going to be doing:

The months of March is another busy one for us. We will be going on our Play After Play fieldtrip on March 19th from 10-11am. We will be passing out permission slips this week for parents

whose children will be attending this field trip. If your child does not attend on Fridays we encourage you to join us at Brooklyn Bay (1825 SE Franklin St.) for the performance. If you are able to drive to any or all of the performances, please let us know. The other dates are April 30th and May 28th.



Emerging Writing Skills!

As far as within the classroom, we have noticed many students bringing special things from home that they are interested in sharing/talking about with the other students. We thought this would be a great time to start a little show-n-tell circle. If your child has something special they would like to share with us, we would love to provide an opportunity for that. So far, our friend Owen brought in an amazing bird's nest he found, which we talked a lot

about and are now using for our still-life painting project; and our friend Lucas brought in his ukulele, which he played for us, and passed around for everyone to experience. Lastly, with Spring Break coming up this month, we will have a lot of children traveling to different places. We thought this would be a great time to talk about travel – where people are going and where they have been. We would like to start collecting travel photos you may have of your family somewhere in the world! Please bring in or e-mail us some travel photos!

Note to Parents:

We would just like to remind parents that if your child is absent, please call or e-mail us (at: wildlilac.daffodilhouse@gmail.com). That way we can try to get everyone their make-up days before the school year is over. Also, if your child is bringing anything to school, whether it is something for show-n-tell, or just because, please be mindful of choking hazards. Anything that can fit through a paper-towel holder tube is considered a choking hazard. Thanks for helping us be cautious!!

Reminders

Our Parent Discussion Night for March 16th has been rescheduled for April 5th at 7pm.

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Our next book club meeting is on April 29th at 7pm. Our next book will be: That's Not Fair! A Teacher's Guide to Activism with Young Children by Ann Pelo and Fran Davidson.



Miri Exploring...

Calendar

March 22-26- No School – Spring Break

April 5- Parent Event – Parent Discussion Night, 7:00pm

April 9- No School - Teacher Planning Day

April 22- Family Event – Daffodil House Earth Day Planting Celebration, 11:30am

April 29- Book Club Meeting for all teachers and parents/guardians!, 7pm