



April 2021

News you can use!

Themes: Spring,
Letters and Numbers

When you have just 2 minutes, read this stuff...

Important Dates for Everyone!

Tuition is due on April 1st
April 8th, Little Bear video

3 Day Dates

March 30 School resumes
April 8- Little Bear Video
May--- Field trip to Mrs. A's
May 20- Last Day of Class

2 Day Dates

March 31 School resumes
April 8 -Little Bear Video
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Calling All Preschool-aged Children!

At this time we have openings in our classes for next fall. Please tell your friends now and throughout the summer.

Thank you for all of your support and assistance. If you are planning to send your child back to ODP next year, and have not returned the registration, we need to hear from you. Please print out the registration form found on the website and hand it to a teacher at drop-off or pick-up. Thanks!

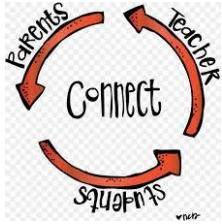


Spring Field Trip to Mrs. Anderson's House

We will have one more outdoor field trip this year, but instead of visiting the St. Olaf prairie, we will visit Mrs. Anderson's rural property. We'll hike around, observe the changing season, and meet Mrs.

Anderson's horses! We will once again need families to bring children directly to the Anderson land, not to Open Door. Please watch for further details on the date and directions.

When you have 5 minutes, read this stuff...



Regarding Conferences

Thanks to all of you who attended conferences. We really appreciate having the opportunity to talk with you about your remarkable children. Thanks for sharing them with us!

Please remember, individuality is encouraged when children are allowed to grow and experience both success and frustration. While doing everything for your child may seem like being helpful, it is important to step back and allow opportunities for enhancing their own capabilities and self-esteem.



The Little Bear Video...just a reminder...

On April 8th we will be viewing the video **Little Bear** in class. This is a nationally recognized video featuring animal characters to teach children ways to avoid being sexually abused. We use this video each year and have found it extremely well done. The tape features Little Bear, who has been touched in a way he is not comfortable with and told not to "tell." But he does "tell" and then learns about good touch and bad touch and ways to say no. The company responsible for putting the video together has agreed to send each family a link to the video so parents can view this at home prior to the children's viewing on April 8. Please, **this viewing is for parents only**. We would like your child to view it for the first time in class. If you have not yet returned the signed waiver indicating you will NOT share this with anyone else, please do so when your child returns to school.

**The Little Bear character in this video is NOT the same as Little Bear from the Else Holmelund Minarik/Maurice Sendak books and videos.

When you've got 10 minutes this stuff is good to know...



Sun! Glorious Sun!

Warmer weather WILL be coming! When this happens, you may wish to consider applying sunscreen to your child as we approach the time of year with brighter days and increased time spent outdoors. Hats may be sent with your child, to be worn outdoors only. Please remember to write your child's name on the inside.