



# Academy Hills of Rockville

Pre-K **March 2016**

## Newsletter



Dear Parents,

Last month was a very busy but exciting month for us. Thank you to all the parents who helped with collecting 100 things for the **100th day of school**, and buying and helping to make Valentine cards for the **Valentine Exchange**. Thank you also for attending **Parent-Teacher Conferences**. Spring is near and we will start going on field trips again. Our field trip this month is to **Playseum in Bethesda**. Please look for a letter on the clipboard and e-mail about it. We will continue **reading groups**. The children will be coming home with a book to read to you. Please sign the sheet indicating that your child read to you and return it back to school by Friday.

**In March**, the children will continue learning new words and how to say hello in different languages. This month, we will finish our Investigation "Out to Sea" and start a New Investigation "Watch It Grow". We will learn about Lakes & Shores, River's & Wetlands, Trees, Fruits and Vegetables. **In Language/Literacy:** Pre-K will recognize and show awareness of beginning and ending sounds, syllables & rhymes in words and stories. We will learn new letters, sounds and words. Pre-K will also learn & recite new and familiar songs, poems, chants & fingerplays. **In Social Studies:** Pre-K will learn about our themes, listening, drinking water, thank-you leaf bouquet and Robby's Job Chart. **In Science:** Pre-K will investigate "Out to Sea" & "Watch It Grow", investigate fresh & salt water, make mud pies, watch seeds on the move and plants drink color. **In Math:** Pre-K will recognize, count and write the number 8 & 9. We will match numbers and objects, use connecting blocks and learn about measurement. **In Writing:** Pre-K will listen and write; write a Thank-You note and make garden stakes. **In Visual Art:** Pre-K will use art media and materials to draw a game, sculpt a story scene and seed pictures frames. We will also sculpt a story scene and learn about the artwork "Sunflowers". **In Handwriting:** Pre-K will learn about how to use lines to make and write the letters **R, Z, I, T and B**. **Stop & Think:** Pre-K will learn how to ignore and really listen. **Please remember to ask your child each day what he or she learned about in school.**

**Themes for this month:** Dr. Seuss, Occupations, St Patrick's Day & Easter / Eggs.

**Song & Chants for this month:**

- ❖ Five Great Lakes
- ❖ River Song
- ❖ Oats, Peas, Beans & Barley Grow

**Birthdays this month:**

Ayden K. (16) and Sara R. (23)

**Reminders:**

- ❖ Sign your child in and out each day.
- ❖ Take your child to the bathroom and wash hands with your child upon arrival.
- ❖ Make sure your child has **weather appropriate clothes in their cubby**. Please label everything.
- ❖ School starts at 9:30 am. In case of late arrival, please drop off in a whispering voice.
- ❖ Homework folders & Reading bags go home on Tuesdays, to be returned back to school by Friday.
- ❖ We have Show & Tell every Friday. Please help your child pick 1 toy to share at school.

**Dates to Remember:**

- ❖ **March 10<sup>th</sup>** --- Field Trip to Playseum (9:45 - 1:00pm)
- ❖ **March 23<sup>rd</sup>** ----Egg Hunt @ 3:30 pm.
- ❖ **March 24<sup>th</sup>** --- Child Care Only
- ❖ **March 25<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>**--- Academy Closed (Easter)
- ❖ **March 29<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup>** --- Child Care Only (Easter)



The Pre-K Teachers

