



CHILDREN'S
L I G H T H O U S E
EARLY LEARNING SCHOOL

It was a whirl wind month of March. We had so much fun celebrating Spring Break, Holi, and our Egg Hunt! We had so many theme days I lost track... It was a blast! During the month of April, we will focus on your child's academic experience.

We will begin assessments for every child in the school this month. It is imperative that your child is at school by 9:30am daily to participate in structured "testing" for knowledge and understanding. All children ages 2 to 5 years will be "tested" one-on-one with the teacher to gather an assessment of their overall comprehension. The assessments will be shared with you at the beginning of May. Our assessments are comprised of knowledge evaluations, anecdotal notes and work samples. These items help us create an overall understanding of your child's growth. During these conferences we will discuss what areas of development your child needs to work on and what they have mastered in the past year. In late April you will see a message come to you that gives you the date and times available for the upcoming Parent-Teacher Conference to discuss the results of our assessments. If you are unable to attend these phone conferences on the established date, or you would like an in-person conference, please let management know so that we can schedule it for a later date.

Jump into Spring!



SPECIAL DATES

- 4/1 Bug Day
- 4/3 MLB day
- 4/5 Peep Day
- 4/8 Graduation Pictures
- 4/9 Unicorn Day: !
- 4/11 National Pet Day!
- 4/15 Flower Power Day
- 4/17 National Bat Day!
- 4/19 Camo Day
- 4/22 Earth Day:
- 4/23 Teddy Bear Picnic Day!
- 4/25 World Penguin Day!
- 4/29 International Dance Day!

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Grad Pictures!
- Earth Day!



4/8 GRADUATION PICTURES !

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*For fun photos,
upcoming events,
and important
updates, be sure
to follow us at
Children's Light-
house—Round
Rock!*



PERSONAL ITEMS

As the weather warms up, please be sure that your child has seasonally appropriate clothes in their cubby. If you are providing sunscreen, please be sure it is non-aerosol and it is labeled with child's name. Weather and heat permitting, our students will still have their normally-scheduled 60 minutes outside daily.

Please also ensure that your child is still wearing close-toed shoes for safety purposes.

Please refrain from sending toys from home to school. We cannot keep up with all the toys being brought in and it is very difficult for us to get them returned to the right child.

Graduation Picture Day is coming up soon! April 8th is our scheduled picture day for all of the children who are graduating from our program and will be entering the school district this coming Fall. These graduation pictures are schedule for rooms 9 & 11. Not all children in room 9 will be graduating. Children who's birthdays are before September 1st are eligible for kindergarten this Fall 2024 and will be included in our graduation. More information about Kinder Prep and Pre-K graduation will be sent out in May.

Picture will be taken in the morning. Come dressed and ready for pictures!

WHAT'S COMING UP!

4/1 Bug Day: wear a nature inspired outfit

4/3 MLB day: wear your favorite sport teams t-shirt

4/5 Peep Day: wear a "peep" inspired outfit.

4/9 Unicorn Day: wear a unicorn inspired outfit!

4/11 National Pet Day! Bring a picture of your favorite pet or wear an animal outfit.

4/15 Flower Power Day : wear any flower outfit or 70's inspired outfit

4/17 National Bat Day! Wear anything Bat related (BATMAN)!

4/19 Camo Day: wear any camo outfit!

4/22 Earth Day: we will be planting in our garden today

4/23 Teddy Bear Picnic Day! Bring your favorite stuffed animal to school today!

4/25 World Penguin Day! Wear black and white!

4/29 International Dance Day! It's a sock hop! Dress in your best 50's inspired outfit.

SUMMER CAMP INFO

Summer Camp begins 5/28/24

School Age Children ONLY!

You must reserve a spot ASAP! During the month of March we began collecting the Summer Camp forms attached to the email sent out the end February. If you have not already filled out your Summer Camp Form, please do so, and return it to us as soon as possible. We are currently accepting new enrollment for Summer Camp. We only have 24 spots available at this time.

If you have already signed up, don't forget that Field Trip fees will be applied to your account the first full week of May. You must pay the summer camp fee in order to hold your spot for Summer Camp 2024.

Remember your enrollment does not automatically roll-over for Summer Camp. You must reserve your spot!



CHILD ASSESSMENTS

APRIL 1ST—26TH

Early education assessments of developmental milestones and skill ability are supported and expected of quality early learning programs. Associations such as Cognia incorporate early learning assessments into their accreditation standards. The company Teaching Strategies lists four major purposes of assessments in early learning environments: “to support learning, to identify special needs, to evaluate programs and monitor trends, and to respond to program and school accountability requirements”. Additionally, Texas Child Care lists “Observation & Assessments” as a category of training in Minimum Standards for Child Care Centers.

All assessments are designed to be done through observation of individual activities over the time the child is in the classroom. Teachers choose one skill on the assessment form and observe each child during causal classroom time, outdoor time, and/or during lesson activities. Teachers are encouraged to take simple notes during observations regarding the progression level of each child and log the results on each child's assessment form. After we have completed the full assessment, we invite parents to join us for a conference where we discuss our observations. This is a great opportunity to set goals for the next school year.