

# THE LIGHTHOUSE BEACON

# May 2017 Oh! The Places They Will Go!

# **Up Coming Events for Our School**

Muffins for Mom May 12<sup>th</sup>

Disco Dance Recital May 15<sup>th</sup> 9:00 AM

Pre-School Graduation May 18<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM

Soccer Shots Awards May 19<sup>th</sup> 4:00 PM

Parent – Teacher Conferences May 22\_26

# Benefits of Summer Camp, Fun And .....

- Camp helps build self-confidence and self-esteem
- Camp is a safe environment
- Camp is a place to build social skills and make friends
- Helps children feel good about themselves
- Children gain more self-confidence or self-esteem
- An increase in independence and show more leadership skills
- Increases their friendship skills and feel more socially comfortable
- Helps gain in their adventurousness and willingness to try new things

See our website for our ExStream Science Summer Camp Calendar.

Look at themes for certain weeks or join us for the Summer!





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LUCAS O. 05-27

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Sidne S. 05-22

Leonardo S. 05-22

Piper T. 05-21

Evan R. 05-11

# **About Our Priority Curriculum**



C HARACTER VALUES EDUCATION Our comprehensive curriculum focuses not only on intellectual development, but also on healthy social and emotional growth through systematic character values education.

ACTIVE ENGAGEMENT Activities are designed to promote active learning through a "hands on" approach that allows children to explore the world in which they live.

RESEARCH-CENTERED PRACTICE Learning activities are grounded both in time-honored practice, such as learning through play, as well as in current research findings in the field of neuro-education. "Brain-based" learning strategies, for example, reveal that memory and creativity are enhanced by music, movement, and artistic expression.

**EMBEDDED CONTENT** Our fully-integrated curriculum is characterized by thematic units which combine the key skills of reading and mathematics with learning in the content areas of science and social studies.

STANDARDS-BASED OBJECTIVES Every learning activity is carefully planned to meet or exceed both national and state standards.

### **Healthy Snack**

Ingredients

### **CRUST**

- Whole-grain tortilla
- Whole-wheat pita
- Whole-wheat flat bread

### SAUCE

- Natural peanut butter or other nut butter
- 100% fruit jelly or jam
- o Reduced-fat cream cheese
- Non-fat Greek yogurt

### **TOPPINGS**

- Fresh fruit such as: apples, bananas, kiwi, berries, grapes
- Dried fruit such as: raisins, chopped dates, pineapple, cranberries, cherries
- Coconut
- Sliced or slivered almonds
- Granola
- Mini chocolate chips
- o Cinnamon
- Instructions
  - 1. To assemble a pizza, start by spreading the "crust" with one or more types of "sauce."
  - 2. Add desired toppings and cut into wedges.

Look in on our Face Book Page to keep informed about our school. Follow us to share the fun with friends.

https://www.facebook.com/Springlighthouse

### **Save the Date**



**Pre-K Graduation** 

Thursday May 18 7:00 PM

Snyder Elementary



MUFFINS WITH MOM

FRIDAY MAY 12

AT DROP OFF

ROOM 9

**Congratulations** 

Teacher of the Month!

Callie Price



Her positive interaction with our children, parents and staff is a true example of her commitment to our school. Callie is a real team player and is always willing to help out where needed and she does it with a smile!

# Character Value This Month Kindness



a kind act. tendency to be kind and forgiving. the quality of being warm-hearted and considerate

"Be kind and compassionate to one another"

Ephesians 4:32,

Parent -Teachers

Conferences

May 22-26

Make an appointment for Phone or In-House
Sign Up Sheet Available



Director's "Blurp"

Hello, I chose to join our school less than 2 weeks ago and already feel like I am home. Thank you and the staff for your warm welcome and support.

I have been an Early Childhood Educator since 1989, starting in the classroom. To my surprise, I found that I developed a passion for doing what's right for all young children. So, I began my journey by taking the steps that would empower me to be able to be an advocate for children especially in Pre-School. An environment where parents entrust us with their child's safety, self-esteem, and education.

As a great grandparent, I realize the gravity of your trust. My door is always open for concerns, comments and compliments for our teachers. Carrol



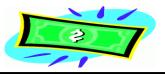
# **Cause and Effect**

Children are naturally curious and continually engage in exploration and play. They are intrigued by causeand-effect phenomena and delight in being surprised. Cause and effect simply refers to the relationship between an action and its outcome. For example, if a child pushes a certain button on a toy, she may hear a "moo" sound; or if a child drops a ball off a high chair, it may bounce. Piaget (1952) theorized that children learn through play when they can cause things to happen or change. Through their exploration and play, children are intrigued by the incongruous events that they experience (Rogers & Sawyers, 1992). Play enhances learning and development for children of all ages and cultures. The Association for Childhood Education International, in their position statement about play, states that "play is a powerful, natural behavior contributing to children's learning and development and that no program of adult instruction can substitute for children's own observations. activities and direct knowledge"

(Isenberg & Quisenberry, 2002).

Recommend us to a friend and receive a Tuition Credit

Ask office for details!



# Stream Learning

### **Science**

develops a body of knowledge by observing things and performing experiments

### **Technology**

applying scientific knowledge to practical problems

### Reading

cognitive process of understanding a written message

### **Engineering**

applying scientific knowledge to practical problems

### The Arts

education in the disciplines of music, dance, theatre, and visual arts.

### Math

dealing with the logic of quantity and shape and arrangement



Good Reasons your child should attend a quality preschool!

- Preschool is an opportunity for growth
- Preschool prepares children for kindergarten
- Preschool promotes social and emotional development
- The preschool environment is structured, although it may not appear that way
- Children get to make choices
- Children learn to take care of themselves and others
- Preschool promotes language and cognitive skills
- Preschool teachers nurture a child's curiosity
- Preschool activities boost premath and literacy skills
- Preschool helps develop motor skills

# PRE-SCHOOL

SUMMER EX-STREAM

**PREVIEW** 

MAGICIAN

SPLASH PAD

SCIENCE THEMES

**SNOW CONES** 

**NUTTY SCIENCE LAB** 

PETTING ZOO

**AND MUCH MORE!** 





# eX-S.T.R.E.A.M.

# Science Summer Camps

Week 1: "Cobe Busters" - Introduction and Orientation

Week 2: "Wild Things" - Zoology
Week 3: "A Mazing Me" - Anatomy

Week 4: "Sticky, leky, & Gross" - Chemistry

Week 5: "RAIDERS OF THE LOST ART" - Archeology

Week 6: "'Dem Bones" – Paleontology
Week 7: "Get in My Belly" – Food Science
Week 8: "3-2-1-BLAST OFF!" – Astronomv
Week 9: "H<sub>2</sub> w0w" – Hydropower - Water
Week 10: "On the Move" – Physics

Week 11: "Rock Out" - Geology







### **Teacher Apperciation Week**

# May 1st to May 5th

Your the heart of every classroom
The soul of every school.
The mind behind the message
That learning is cool.

Your patience and understanding Cannot be underscored.

Your courage and commitment Is that of legends told.

Each day you teach our children Is a day to rejoice.

Because of you our children

Will have their own voice.

So Thank You Dear Teacher

For passing knowledge
Through the years

You thought you were merely teaching

When you were eliminating fears

Thank you Teachers of Childrens Lighthouse of Spring