

# Beginning Visions

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Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! 2018 sure has gone by fast. The memories that the past year has brought will always be cherished, not only for the families, but for the staff as well. Kicking off this new year, we're striving to make 2019 our best year yet!

We would also specifically like to thank our staff members for coming to work in the harsh weather conditions. We appreciate their willingness and dedication to bring the necessary care and attention to every child at Beginning Visions.

Here are some of our favorite memories from the past month:



## Upcoming Events & Birthdays

### January 6

Ms. Tiera's Birthday

### January 23

Mrs. Starr's Birthday

### January 30

Ms. Diamond's Birthday

## Announcements:

### Please sign your child in/out every day!

Parents, we just want to remind you to sign in/out your child every day. This is a state regulation and we would greatly appreciate it if you would continue to do so each day.

**Figure 3:** Mrs. Angie's, Ms. Justice's, and Miss Bethany's class serving us a Christmas Dinner!



**Figure 2:** Mrs. Shannon's toddler's art.



**Figure 3:** Mrs. Shirley and Mrs. Robin's class playing with snow



**Figure 4:** Who doesn't enjoy a snow day!



**Figure 5:** More snow day fun!



**Figure 6:** Ms. Michelle's toddler's art.  
**Figure 7:** The schoolager's hallway art





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Dear Parents,

We hope you are enjoying the new year as much as we are! Our BV kids are having so much fun creating not only crafts and artworks, but memories as well.

Since the weather is starting to get colder, please remember to bring your child a coat, hat, gloves, and closed toe shoes.

Enjoy some of our favorite memories from the last month:



**Figure 1:** A few of our 2-year-olds having some fun outside on a brisk morning.



**Figure 2:** Learning some math skills.



**Figure 3:** Mrs. Denita and Mrs. Starr's class's snow fun tree.

**Figure 4:** Ms. Robin making a snowman snack with the class.



**Figure 5:** A few of our 2 and 3-year-olds building a 'snow fort'!

**Figure 6:** Mrs. Shirley and Ms. Robin's class "shadow" art.





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Dear Parents,

February has been an amazing month full of hearts, warmer days, and a responsible amount of candy and chocolate! The kids had a blast making their crafts and valentines treats throughout the month.

Over the last month, we held our annual valentine's day class parties. Here are some of our favorite memories from the event:



## Upcoming Events & Birthdays:

### March 8<sup>th</sup>

3's and 4's Library Trip

### March 10<sup>th</sup>

Spring Forward! Daylight savings time!!

### March 12<sup>th</sup>

Miss Jazmyne's Birthday

### March 15<sup>th</sup>

Mrs. Denita's Birthday

### March 17<sup>th</sup>

St. Patrick's Day

### March 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>

Spring pics including 4's cap and gown and group picture.

## Announcements:

### Graduation and Summer is just around the corner!

Parents, with Graduation and Summer approaching fast, look out for signup sheets coming for both very soon!





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Dear Parents,

Spring has finally arrived! That means warmer weather is finally here! Flowers are beginning to grow and fully bloom just like our BV kids.

This month we encourage parents to take your child outside more. Take them for walks through the neighborhood and help them learn comparing sizes. Ask them questions like: which mailbox is taller? Which driveway is longer? And which house is bigger?

Here are some great memories from the past month.



## Upcoming Events & Birthdays:

**April 1<sup>st</sup>**

Ms. Heidi's Birthday

**April 5<sup>th</sup>**

4's Space Dome Field Trip

**April 12<sup>th</sup>**

Mrs. Shannon's Birthday

3's and 4's Library Field Trip

**April 19<sup>th</sup>**

Beginning Visions closed for Good Friday

**April 20<sup>th</sup>**

Mrs. April's Birthday

**April 21<sup>st</sup>**

Happy Easter!

## Announcements:

**Graduation and Summer is just around the corner!**

Summer sign-up sheets have already been sent out. Please make sure they are filled out and turned back into the office by April 5<sup>th</sup>.



## Mrs. Beth's Joke of the Month

How do bunnies stay healthy?  
Eggercise!



### Ingredients:

4 cups marshmallow  
5 cups rice cereal  
¼ cup of butter  
2 teaspoons vanilla  
2 cups mini eggs

## Rice Krispie Nests Recipe

### Instructions:

Grease a 12-cup muffin tray and set aside. Place marshmallows in a large microwave-safe bowl and heat for 25-30 seconds. Stir well, and repeat heating as needed. Add the butter and vanilla extract to the marshmallows and stir well to incorporate. Add the rice cereal one cup at a time, gently folding it into the marshmallow mixture, until all of the cereal is incorporated. Scoop heaping ¼ cup portions of the rice krispie treats into the prepared muffin tray. Wet your hands and press the rice krispies into a cup or tart shape. Place in the fried for 2 hours or overnight to set

We have been watching the process of how a baby chick is hatched this past month during our month of animal study. Using this special light, we can see if the embryo of an egg is healthy by the process of “Candling”. Here you can see the healthy veins in the egg!



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Summer is almost here! We are looking forward to all the sun and all the fun! And so are the BV kids. We're enjoying playing outside every day and loving the warmer weather. Plus, our spring artwork is looking so good!

We also got to celebrate Easter this past month and had our own Easter Egg hunt which was so much fun! We also got to meet police officers which was really cool!

Here are some of our favorite memories from the past month:



## Upcoming Events & Birthdays:

### May 3<sup>rd</sup>

4 year/pre-K \$24 cap and gown for graduation due

### May 5<sup>th</sup>

Mrs. Robin Hall's (our awesome cook) birthday!

### May 6<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>

Teacher appreciation week (see schedule in newsletter)

### May 17<sup>th</sup>

Summer Registration due (School-agers \$80. 4-year-old and pre-k \$65)

### May 18<sup>th</sup>

MORP (4-year-old) prom (4:30pm - 6:30 pm)

### May 27<sup>th</sup>

Beginning visions closed for Memorial Day

## Announcements:

**Summer fees are due May 17<sup>th</sup>. Make sure to reserve your spot for the summer with this payment for all their field trips.**

**Thank you!**

## Teacher Appreciation Week

May 6<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup>

We would like to take this week of May to show appreciation for all of the hard work our teachers do. Here are a few suggestions we have seen in the past that will make a memorable impression to any teacher!

**Monday** – Bring your teachers a homemade card/picture or bought card to express your appreciation for them.

**Tuesday** – Bring picked or brought flowers

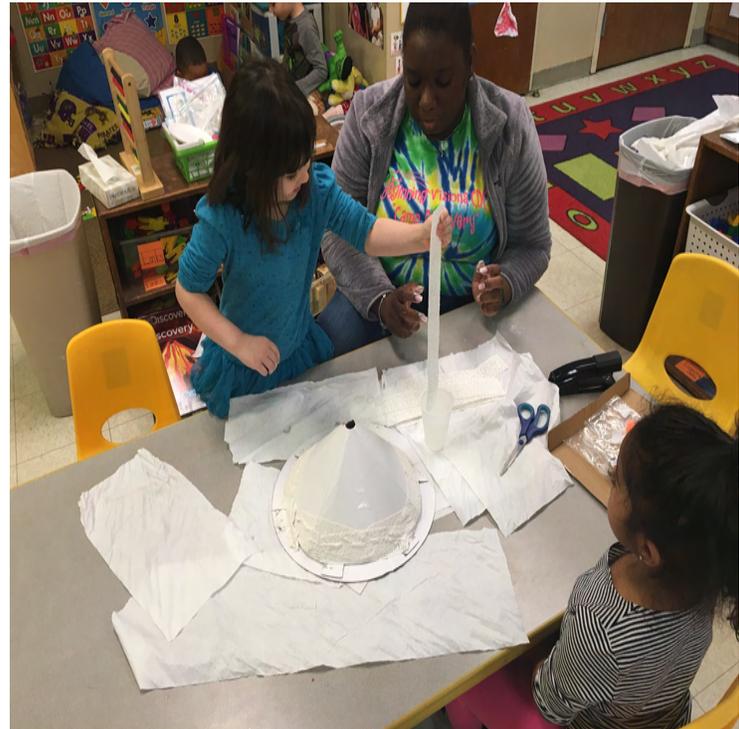
**Wednesday** – Fruits, snacks drinks, candy, cookies, brownies... you're choice! Bring any goody you think they might enjoy

**Thursday** – "Movie Day". Bring your teachers anything you think of when you think of "Movies". Whether it's a bag of popcorn, soda, or even a gift card. Be creative!

**Friday** – Bring your teachers a small gift. Doesn't have to be expensive. Whether it's a pen, pencil, lotion, or a gift card. These gifts can go a long way!

## Mr. Robbie's Joke of the Month

How excited was the gardener about spring? So excited he wet his plants!



## Safety First!

Help your kids stay safe at Beginning Visions with these tips!

- Wear shoes that fit properly that either tie or have Velcro.
- Avoid baggy clothes or hoodies/sweater with ties or cords.
- With the weather getting warmer make sure that you children dress in clothes that are okay to get dirty. We will go outside every day!



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Summer is finally here! We are so excited for the longer days ahead for more fun times! We have had so much fun planting our own Beginning Visions garden and learning all about the different flowers and plants! We even took a trip to the Outdoor Learning Environment, which was super fun as well!

Here are some of our favorite memories from the past month:



## Upcoming Events & Birthdays:

### June 2<sup>nd</sup>

Ms. Michelle's Birthday!

### June 4<sup>th</sup>

Pre-K Graduation

### June 14<sup>th</sup>

Flag Day

### June 16<sup>th</sup>

Father's Day

### June 17<sup>th</sup>

Start of Summer Camp

### June 18<sup>th</sup>

Ms. Joi's Birthday!

## Announcements:

Summer Camp starts June 17<sup>th</sup>! Make sure you have paid your summer fees so your child can go on the planned field trips. Field trip calendars should be in your child's folder by June 7<sup>th</sup>. This summer is sure to be a hot one! If you feel the need that your child needs sunscreen or bug spray please apply 12-hour spray prior to bringing them into school!

## Congratulations, Graduates!

We would like to show some recognition to a few of our teachers for their outstanding triumphs!

**Mrs. Starr**, on finishing her Bachelor's degree in Birth through Kindergarten education.

**Ms. Jeannette**, on receiving her Bachelor's degree in Early Childhood.

**Miss Sojourner**, on finishing her Bachelor's degree in Human Development.

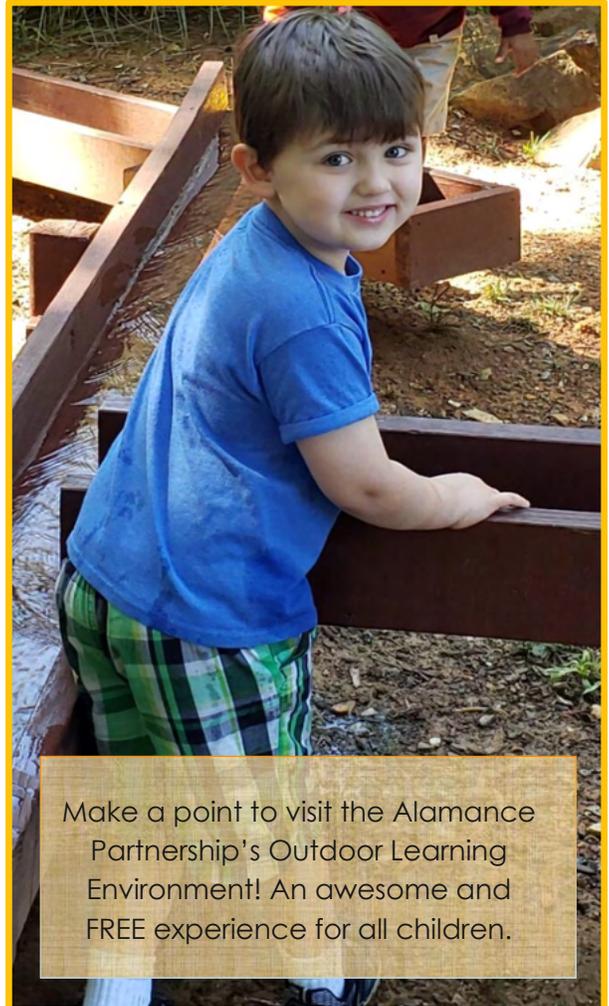
**Miss Bethany and Miss Jade**, on finishing their Associate's degree in Early Childhood Education.

These teachers have worked hard to continue their education and are well deserving of these awesome accomplishments

### Summer Word Search

G	S	G	R	V	S	B	L	O	H	J	P
T	U	F	O	R	W	N	K	Q	N	P	M
M	M	H	B	Z	I	H	O	T	O	L	B
V	M	S	U	Y	M	I	P	E	I	S	U
P	E	Z	G	Z	S	S	M	G	T	S	V
F	R	K	S	M	U	E	K	B	A	P	N
L	J	N	O	B	I	S	A	L	C	C	E
N	O	I	V	T	T	S	X	M	A	H	N
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Y	P	E	R	O	S	U	N	N	Y	K	B
E	D	A	N	O	M	E	L	J	F	U	B

SUMMER	BEACH	JUNE
SUNNY	SWIMSUIT	JULY
SUNSCREEN	BUGS	HOT
POOL	VACATION	AUGUST
LEMONADE	BASEBALL	SUNGLASSES



Make a point to visit the Alamance Partnership's Outdoor Learning Environment! An awesome and FREE experience for all children.

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Summer is off to a great start! The children have been enjoying water-play days, swimming, science center, parks, putt-putt, movies, yo-zone, and so much more!

Here are some of our favorite memories from the past month:



## Upcoming Events & Birthdays:

### July 1<sup>st</sup>

Ms. Jennifer's Birthday

### July 4<sup>th</sup>

Happy Independence Day!

Day care will be closed.

### July 8<sup>th</sup>

Ms. Anita's Birthday!

### July 10<sup>th</sup>

Miss Rana's Birthday!

### July 11<sup>th</sup>

Miss Justice's Birthday!

## Announcements:

**If you haven't already gotten your July calendar, ask the front office for one.**



## Watermelon Popsicle Recipe

- 1 cup seedless watermelon chunks
  - 1 cup unsweetened orange juice
  - 1 cup water
  - Blend all ingredients together in a blender
- Pour into small paper cups. Place in freezer and, when partially frozen, insert popsicle sticks or small plastic spoons for handles. When completely frozen, unmold by pouring hot water over bottoms of cups.

### Mr. Robbie's joke of the month

Why does a flamingo hold up one leg?  
If he held up both he would fall down!



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Dear Parents,

It seems like summer is really flying by even faster this year! The School-agers and upcoming kindergartners have been enjoying all of the field trips and having so much fun under the sun. We are looking forward to August 26<sup>th</sup>, to see all of our new and rising BV kids!

Here are some of our favorite memories from the past month:



## Upcoming Events & Birthdays:

### August 4<sup>th</sup>

National Friendship Day

### August 13<sup>th</sup>

International Leftovers Day

### August 24<sup>th</sup>

Miss Jade's Birthday!

### August 26<sup>th</sup>

Beginning Visions official  
"Class move up" day and  
1<sup>st</sup> day of School!

### August 31<sup>st</sup>

International Bacon Day

## Announcements:

If you haven't already gotten your August calendar, ask the front office for one.

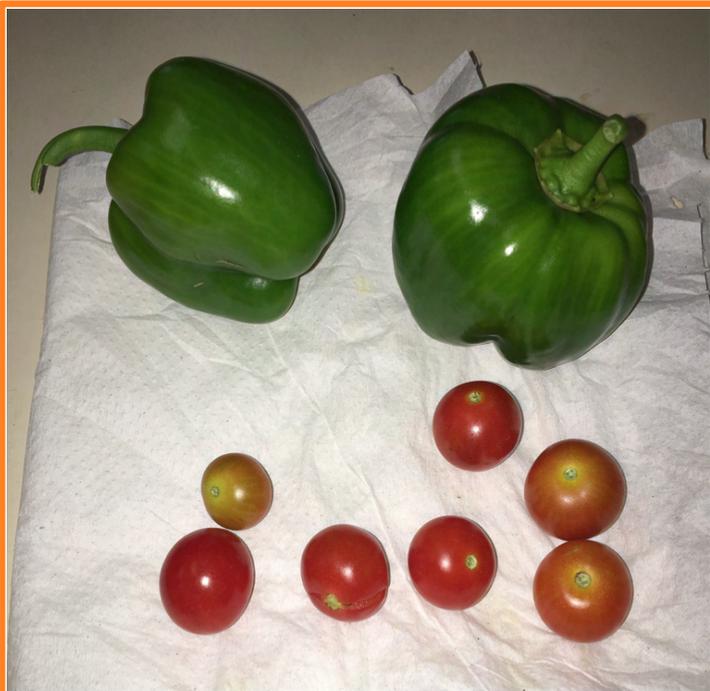
School is around the corner for some.  
Here is an idea to help prepare for school...

Write their name in pencil and let them use a different colored marker to trace each letter as they read it out loud.

Make name puzzles. Write their name on cardboard, cut them apart, mix them up and have them put the puzzle back together.



**Beginning Visions wants to thank our newly degreed teachers Bethany and Jade for all of the pictures that they provide for our newsletter. It is refreshing to have some young teachers who are excited about using all of what they have learned over the past few years in Early Childhood education and apply it in the classrooms!**



Look at these fresh Veggies that Ms. Robin's class grew!

### **Mr. Robbie's joke of the month**

Why did they quit giving tests at the zoo?

Because it was full of cheetahs!



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Dear Parents,

Seems like some summer has already come to a close. We are sad to see the summer over, but we are looking forward to seeing what the new school year has in store for everyone at Beginning Visions.

Here are some of our favorite memories from the past month:



## Upcoming Events & Birthdays:

### September 2<sup>nd</sup>

BV Closed for Labor Day

### September 19<sup>th</sup>

3's and 4's Library Trip

### September 20<sup>th</sup>

Fall Pictures

### Staff Birthdays

### September 11<sup>th</sup>

Ms. Sherita's Birthday!

### September 17<sup>th</sup>

Mrs. Angie's Birthday

### September 26<sup>th</sup>

Mrs. Beth's Birthday

### September 27<sup>th</sup>

Mr. Robbie's Birthday

## Announcements:

If you haven't already gotten your September calendar, ask the front office for one.

Here are some tips for starting the school year off right:

Encourage your youngster to draw a map of her school so she can show you where she spends her days. Label together her favorite spots in the Daycare as a fun family activity.

Have your child share with you what they are learning in school and do related home activities.

Find special ways to save your child's schoolwork. You might let them decorate a binder or a box that she can put all of her favorite artworks inside.



### PB&J SUSHI RECIPE

#### What you will need:

4 slices of white bread

½ c. smooth peanut butter

½ c. grape jelly

#### Directions:

Remove crusts from bread. Using a rolling pin, roll bread until very flat. Spread with peanut butter and jelly and roll tightly. Cut into 2" pieces and serve!



### Mr. Robbie's joke of the month

Why did the mother kangaroo tell her baby not to watch too much tv?

She didn't want him to be a pouch potato.



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Dear Parents,

School has begun, and we are already adjusted to the groove of things. We are enjoying the cooler days and looking forward to playing in the leaves for the fall! With that being said, you might want to start equipping your child with a jacket very soon!

Here are some of our favorite memories from the past month:



## Upcoming Events & Birthdays:

### October 9<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>

Teacher Workday for GCS

### October 16<sup>th</sup>

Early releases for ABSS

### October 29<sup>th</sup>

Teacher workday for ABSS

### Staff Birthdays

#### October 3<sup>rd</sup>

Mrs. Tabitha's Birthday

#### October 10<sup>th</sup>

Miss Ashton Birthday

#### October 18<sup>th</sup>

Mrs. Shirley's Birthday

#### October 30<sup>th</sup>

Ms. Jeannette's Birthday

## Announcements:

If you haven't already gotten your October calendar, ask the front office for one.

## Getting enough Sleep

A good night's sleep prepares your youngster's body and brain for a new day. It may be tempting to let them stay up late or sleep in on weekends and during school breaks, but try your best to keep a consistent schedule. This will help them get the 10-13 hours of sleep she needs each night.

## A Change of Mind

Encourage your child to use positive phrases like "I can try" or "can you help?" instead of saying "I can't" or "I don't know how."

This shift in thinking will make a big difference!

Remember to model a positive language when you talk to them.



Mrs. Angie and Miss Rebecca playing duck duck goose with their 4's

## Mr. Robbie's joke of the month

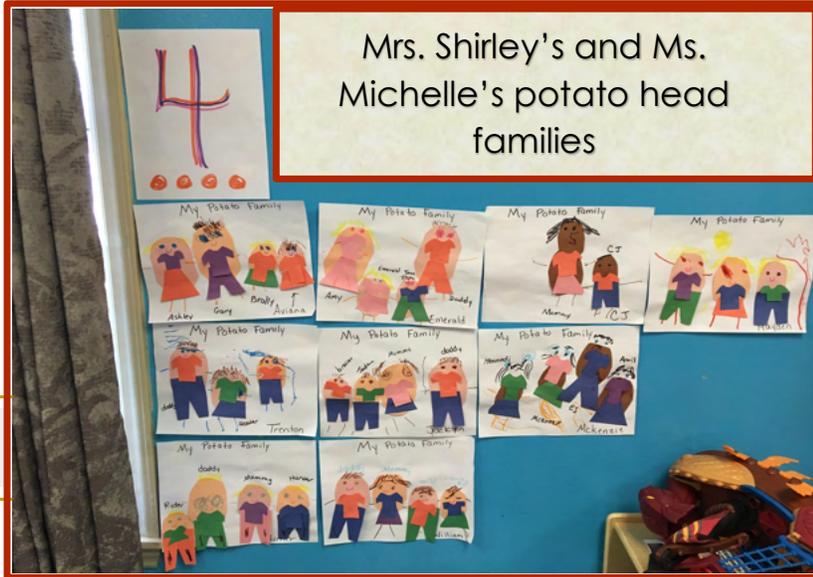
What do you get from a pampered cow?

Spoiled Milk!!



## Watch Closely

Boost your child's concentration with this fast-paced game. Line up three colored plastic cups upside down and put a coin under one. Have them watch the cup with the coin as you quickly rearrange the cups for 10 seconds. Then, ask them to tap the cup the coin is under. Was the child right? Switch roles, and see if they can stump you!



Mrs. Shirley's and Ms. Michelle's potato head families

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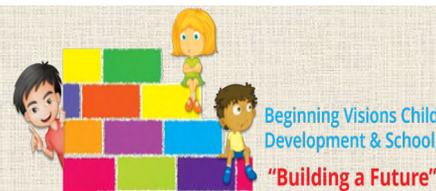
Dear Parents,

Wow! Can you believe it? We're nearly done with 2019! Only two more months to go! We've been having so much fun playing outside in the cooler air and watching the leaves turn different colors! We would like to thank you, the parents, for helping us along the way!

Here are some of our favorite memories from the past month:



Miss Sherita and Miss Jennifer's Pre-K class making apple pie.



## Upcoming Events & Birthdays:

### November 5th

ABSS Teacher Workday

### November 11th

ABSS and GC No School

### November 21st

4's Library Trip

### November 27th – 29th

ABSS and GC out for Thanksgiving

### November 28th – 29th

Beginning Visions closed for Thanksgiving

## Announcements

### SPIRIT WEEK 2019: NOVEMBER 4TH – 8TH

**MONDAY:** PAJAMA DAY

**TUESDAY:** WEAR BLUE AND WHITE

**WEDNESDAY:** CRAZY HAIRDAY

**THURSDAY:** HERO VS. VILLAINS – WEAR YOUR FAVORITE SUPERHERO SHIRT

**FRIDAY:** TEAM DAY – WEAR YOUR FAVORITE SPORTS TEAM

## Thanksgiving Helper

Involve your child in your thanksgiving plans. If you're hosting guests, they could hang up coats or refill water glasses. Or if you visit relatives, they might pick out a game to take and share with their cousins. They will feel proud to contribute, and they'll learn to be a good host or guest.



Apple Pie! Looks so good!



Miss Misty's fall art

Also... Congratulations to Miss Misty on her recent engagement.

## Mr. Robbie's joke of the month

What kind of vehicle should you use for a fall hayride?

An autumn-mobile!



Miss Bethany's babies getting in the Halloween Spirit!

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Well parents, it looks like that time has come once again. This year has flown by us so fast we almost missed it, but we have certainly enjoyed every single minute of it. We would like to thank all of the staff, the parents, and the BV kids for making this one of our best years yet!

Here are some of our favorite memories from the past month:



Our 4-year-old classes trick or treating at Twin Lakes retirement community.



## Upcoming Events & Birthdays:

### December 2<sup>nd</sup>

Miss Kaitlyn's birthday!

### December 19<sup>th</sup>

3's and 4's Library Trip

### December 20<sup>th</sup>

Surprise Visitor!!!

### December 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>

Beginning Visions closed for Christmas

### January 1<sup>st</sup>

Beginning Visions closed for New Years

## Announcements

If you have not already gotten your December calendar, ask the front office for one.

## Happy Thanksgiving!

We hope everybody had a great Thanksgiving holiday and spent some quality time with their families. It is important to teach our young children how to appreciate not only the material things we possess but all the meaningful relationships, health, opportunities, freedom, weekends and so much more! We all really have so much to be thankful for! The staff at BV wants you to know that we are so thankful and blessed to have you, your children and your families as significant part of our daily lives! Thanks for all you do for the children and us!

## Speak up for yourself

Help your child learn to ask for what they need and express their opinions by encouraging him to be assertive. You can give them opportunities to practice in everyday situations. For example, ordering food at a restaurant, answer questions his doctor asks, and participate in conversations with relatives.

## What's in the bag?

Inspire your child to explore their sense of touch. Secretly put an object in a paper lunch bag, and encourage them to reach in, carefully feel it, and try to identify it. You could choose objects with a variety of textures, such as feathers, rocks, and coins

## Mr. Robbie's joke of the month

What do snowmen eat for breakfast?

Snowflakes!

## Compare

Are there more grapes or crackers on that plate?  
Your youngster can use math to find out. Suggest that he pair each grape with a cracker. Then, he could count the leftovers to see how many more of one food he has than another.  
("There are four extra grapes")

