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# The Smile

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# Letter from the Director

Elizabeth Denis

Dear Parents,

April is always an exciting month at Happy Face. There are so many great themes and projects to do with children in the springtime. All of our hands-on activities involve learning skills in math, science, social studies and language. We encourage the children to use their imagination and promote creativity. Our main goal is the process, not necessarily the product.

The 2 1/2s will have hands-on fun this month learning one of their favorite stories, Jack and the Beanstalk. Their April curriculum also centers around the nursery rhyme, Jack and Jill.

During April, the 3s always love using their imagination and creativity while studying their "spring" theme.

The 4s will also investigate the "spring" theme during April, and then move into the Earth and recycling unit.

The 5s curriculum centers around the environment and keeping our planet clean, and then they dive into the study of ponds and streams.

Egg hunts will take place for the 3s on Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup> and for the 2 1/2s, 4s and 5s on Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. Our spring break begins on Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. School resumes Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup>.

Keep Smiling, Elizabeth



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## Updates from the Board of Trustees

Meeting held on March 7, 2019

In attendance — E. Denis, E. Bushey, J. Pearson, E. Balzer, J. McCloskey, D. Mayberry, and C. Baumann

Enrollment for 2018-2019: Open registration is going on now Spread the word about HF on Facebook

**Summer Camp:** Will be hosted from June  $3^{rd}$  to June  $7^{th}$ ! Children have begun to sign up!

Fundraising Heirloom Vegetable sale is coming in May!

Happy Face Logo Blanket sale is ongoing! Makes the perfect graduation gift!

**Educational Programs:** DaVinci Science Center is coming to Happy Face on Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup>. All students are invited to attend. Please see email for more information.

**Speech Therapist:** Will be at Happy Face on April 11<sup>th</sup>. If interested in signing your child up for an evaluation, please contact Mrs. M. Evaluation fee is \$10.

Please attend our next board meeting Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 pm in the Conference Room @ Happy Face Nursery School

All are Welcome!

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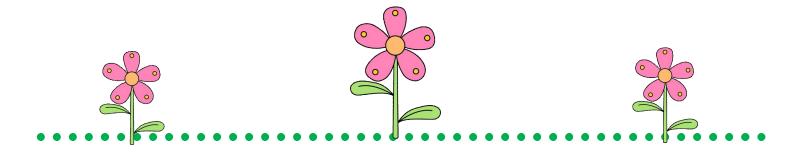


#### Get your pictures in the yearbook!

The Yearbook Staff invites students and parents to submit photos for the yearbook. If you've got great photos of school and community events or you and your friends just having fun, we'd like to see them. Our photographers can't be everywhere. Help us get as many photos as possible to create a terrific book everyone will want to have. To submit photos please email Erica Balzer at <u>balzerel@gmail.com</u> and attach your photos.

The last day to submit photos is May 1, 2019!

\* Contact Erica Balzer with any questions! \*

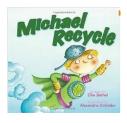


# HAPPY START SCHOLARSHIP

Happy Face offers a financial-needs-based scholarship for both a 4-year-old student and to a 3-year-old student interested in attending Happy Face.

The Scholarship will award: \$1,000 towards tuition for the 4 year old program. \$500 towards tuition for the 3 year old program. Page 4 of 5

At Home



### **April In Review**

Children will spend this month reading literature and investigating several themes and topics including:

- recycling
- earth day
- spring
- worms
- frogs
- pond and stream
- environment
- the shape oval
- the colors yellow
- numbers 1-20 (recognition, writing and value)

The nursery rhyme of the month for the  $2 \frac{1}{2s}$  is:

- Jack & Jill
- Jack and the Beanstalk

The author of the month for the 4s is:

Ellie Bethel, author of Michael Recycle and Michael Recycle Meets Litterbug Doug

To extend learning at home, you may wish to read books related to these themes, such as the following:

- Why Should I? by Jen Green
- A Glove of Their Own by Debbie Moldovan, Keri Conkling, and Lisa Funari-Willever

# April Show & Tell

#### 3s

Tues., 4/2: Something Yellow Tues., 4/9: Something Spring Tues., 4/16: Something Oval Tues., 4/23: Spring Break Tues., 4/30: Something Recycle

#### 4s

Mon., 4/1: #1 Mon., 4/8: #2 Mon., 4/15: #3 Mon., 4/29: #4

#### Fab 5s

Mon., 4/1: #1 and #2 Bag Mon., 4/8: #3 and #4 Bag Mon., 4/15: #5 and #6 Bag Mon., 4/22: Spring Break Mon., 4/22: Spring Break Mon., 4/29: #7 and #8 Bag



Important Dates: DaVinci Science Center Egg Hunt 3's Egg Hunt 2.5's, 4's and 5's Spring Break

Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup> Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> April 18<sup>th</sup> - April 29<sup>th</sup>





# Camp Smiley

June 3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> 2019 from 9:30<sup>AM</sup> until 1:00<sup>PM</sup> Children ages 3 years (potty trained) to 5 years of age will explore a variety of hands-on fun activities as well as enjoy socializing with their peers.

Instructors: Mrs. Schafer, Mrs. Mayberry and Mrs. "M" Cost: \$175 per child Space is limited to 30 children \$50 non-refundable registration fee due at sign up\* Registration deadline is May 1st - Final payment due May 15<sup>th</sup> Children should bring their own bag lunches except for the last day, when lunch is included.



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Home telephone:	
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Parent's email:	

Tuition Received: \_\_\_\_\_