

# Beginning Visions

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Dear Parents,

Spring has finally arrived! Along with it, all our seasonal allergies as well! The weather is starting to turn warmer and we are loving getting to go outside and play more. Although playing outside is nice, we hope everyone is staying inside for now to avoid the virus as they can. Please see attached to the newsletter our virus response and how we are approaching this issue very seriously.

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



Our BV kids enjoying the warm winter weather!



## Upcoming Events & Birthdays:

### March 6<sup>th</sup>

Miss Mikayla's birthday!

### April 1<sup>st</sup>

Ms. Heidi's birthday!

### April 10<sup>th</sup>

Beginning Visions closed for Good Friday/Easter

### April 12<sup>th</sup>

Mrs. Shannon's Birthday!

### April 20<sup>th</sup>

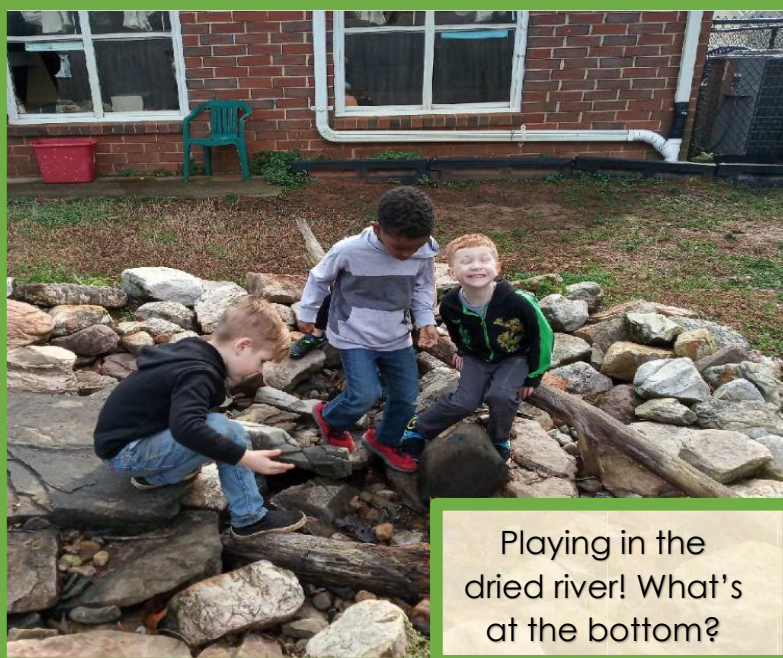
Mrs. April's Birthday!

## Mr. Robbie's Joke of the month

**What do you call a rabbit with fleas?**

Bugs Bunny

Beginning Visions is so excited about our new Outdoor Learning Environment taking place. We have started our first phase!!! Our children's tricycle track is now in place. Next to come will be our children's stage, digging area and water flume! As the weather gets warmer remember we will be outside even more than we are already so bring your children in appropriate play clothes and shoes.



Playing in the dried river! What's at the bottom?

Beginning Visions is also participating in LENA Grow program, sponsored by The Alamance Partnership for Children. This is a project for infants and toddlers that enhances language interactions in the classroom. More and more studies are showing the link to brain development in infants and toddler and early years before 5 years old is more critical than any other age. For this reason, Beginning Visions wants to participate in all positive studies that would increase children's learning curve, IQ and development. Thank you to all the parents who agreed to participate in this exciting learning opportunity.

## Staying Focused: (Early years, Resources for Educators January 2020)

**Boost your youngster's attention span with these activities that encourage him to focus.**

**Hot and Cold.** Hide a toy for your child to find. As they search, let them know when they're close to it ("Hot!") or far away ("Cold!"). They'll want to stay focused on your words until they locate the toy.

**Claps and stomps.** How many motions can your youngster copy? Ask them to pay close attention while you do just one (clap) and have them repeat after you. Then add another (clap, stomp) for them to copy. Keep going until they forget one.