



Hello ELA families and friends,

Spring is soon arriving and we are starting off the month of March with several exciting events.

To celebrate National Reading Month, we are having a Book Drive for ELA. We are accepting new or gently used children's books for ages 2-5 which will help increase the ELA library. In addition, we will have opportunities for MU faculty and staff to read to ELA Students during the month of March.

And then on March 7 & 8, parents are invited to view ELA student artwork outside the Barry Gallery from 4:30-5:30PM. The art will be on display the entire week of March 4 for all friends of ELA.

We also would like to welcome our newest staff member Lucille Sherlock. Ms. Lucy comes with tons of great experience, and we've already witnessed her love and dedication to children. Ms. Lucy will be working in all classrooms to support our growing program!



We look forward to enjoying some spring weather and sharing books and art with families and MU friends.

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Upcoming Events

Early Learning Academy will be **closed** the following upcoming dates:

Monday, March 25 - Friday, March 29 - Spring Break

Click [here](#) for the complete 2023-2024 school year calendar. It can also be found in your Brightwheel app under Documents.



Week of March 4-8
Barry Gallery
Reinsch Building
Marymount University

EARLY LEARNING ACADEMY
ART EXHIBITION

**PARENT SOCIAL HOUR
THURSDAY & FRIDAY MARCH 7 & 8
4:30PM-5:30PM
REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED**





Supporting the Family

Enjoy this blog by Literacy Now:

3 Ways to Instill a Love of Reading in Your Children



At Home Fun and Learning

Ms. Flor shares some of her favorite books and activities

March reading list

We're Going on a Bear Hunt

Written by Michael Rosen and illustrated by Helen Oxenbury

[AMAZON](#)

[YOUTUBE](#)

Chicka Chicka Boom Boom

Written by Bill Martin, Jr. & John Archambault & illustrated by Lois Ehlert

[AMAZON](#)

[YOUTUBE](#)

Activity for home

This is one of Ms. Flor's favorite activities to do during the spring time!

EASY PRESSED FLOWER ART FOR KIDS



Staff Spotlight

Karen Marchese - Assistant Teacher

Favorite food: fried chicken/MD Blue Crabs/any fruit

Favorite hobby: shelling on the beach, enjoying live music, and reading

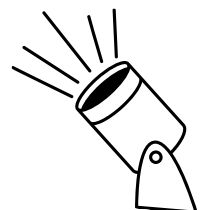
Favorite Preschool book: Harold and the Purple Crayon

Favorite color: pink

Favorite place to visit: our beach house on the Delaware Shore

Fun facts: Ms. Karen loves to do puzzles and is an excellent pinball player

For more information on Ms. Karen and other ELA staff members, please see our website.





School Highlights and Features



ELA Book Drive

Donations of new and gently used children's books for ages 2-5 are being accepted during the month of March. During National Reading Month, we are conscientious of reading being a cornerstone for learning and social development. Bring your donations to the ELA or drop them off outside our front door at Bernie's Book Drop. We appreciate any contributions as we work to increase the ELA library.



Marymount reads to ELA

During the month of March, we are excited to provide several opportunities for MU faculty and staff to share their love of reading to ELA students.

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