The ELA students have enjoyed wearing their rain boots and suits during some of the wet Springtime weather, but we are also excited for warmer dry days as Summer approaches. Part of the feel of Summer around the ELA will be the introduction of school wide weekly themes starting the end of May thru the end of August. Summer themes to include familiar topics such as water play, beach day, ocean exploration, camping, The Olympics, outdoor cooking and art, and treasure hunts. We can’t wait!!

The ELA Newsletter will be taking a Summer break and return in September.
CALENDAR

MAY 6-10 TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK
MAY 23 - SUMMER’S COMING CELEBRATION
MAY 27 - MEMORIAL DAY, SCHOOL CLOSED
JUNE 19 - JUNETEENTH, SCHOOL CLOSED
JUNE 24 - 28 - PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES
JULY 4 & 5 - INDEPENDENCE DAY, SCHOOL CLOSED
AUGUST 26 - 30 - SCHOOL CLEANING/FALL PREP, SCHOOL CLOSED
SEPTEMBER 2 - LABOR DAY, SCHOOL CLOSED
SEPTEMBER 3 - NEW SCHOOL YEAR BEGINS
SEPTEMBER 6 - POPSICLE PLAYGROUND PLAYDATE

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK
MAY 6 - 10

This is a wonderful time for families to shower their child’s teachers with love, appreciation, and thanks for caring for and educating their ELA student.

School Highlights and Features

SAVE THE DATE - SUMMER’S COMING CELEBRATION
THURSDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 23
Join us outside starting from 4:30 -5:30 PM for our first Stay and Play of the Summer

NEW SCHOOL YEAR BEGINS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3
Additional information about class assignments will be available in late August
PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES
WEEK OF JUNE 24 - 28

Be on the lookout in June for Sign ups from your child’s teacher. Conferences will be offered in person or by Zoom.

TIME FOR A CHANGE OF CLOTHES

With the warmer weather coming in, now is a great time to take a quick inventory to make sure your child’s spare clothes are appropriate for the Spring/Summer weather. Just a reminder, we prefer to have two full changes of clothes including shirts, pants, socks, and underwear.

FIVE IDEAS TO ENCOURAGE LEARNING DURING THE SUMMER
as taken from NAEYC

1. Take your child to a live performance. Family friendly events are a great way to teach about the performing arts.
2. Read books about warm weather fun. Find stories focusing on playing outdoors, visiting relatives, and cooling off in the water. Read a story and then try the activity that the book describes.
3. Turn any walk into a nature walk. Use time outdoors with young children to help them learn about the natural world. Explore your neighborhood, observe the weather, examine plants, flowers, and more.
4. Visit museums and libraries in your town including zoos, botanical gardens, libraries, and aquariums.
5. Create mini-learning centers at home.
At Home Fun and Learning

Ms. Asselle shares some of her favorite books

May reading list

A Bad Case of Stripes
Written by David Shannon

Pete the Cat: I Love My White Shoes
Written by James Dean

No, David!
Written by David Shannon

Staff Spotlight

Lucille Sherlock  -  Assistant Teacher

Favorite food: Sushi and Indian food
Favorite hobby: Reading and Thrifting
Favorite Preschool book: If You Give a Pig a Pancake
Favorite color: Pink
Favorite place to visit: New Zealand
Fun Facts: Lucy is a huge Swiftie and went to the Eras Tour last year!

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