

Special points of interest:

- Kindergarten Graduation June 7
- Pre-Kindergarten Promotion Ceremony June 7
- Summer Camp starts June 17
- Save the Date Patriotic Parade July 3 at 4 pm

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CAMP BLUE SKY, HERE WE COME!

Happy June to all of our families! My favorite time of year is here - summer time and Camp Blue Sky! I have not participated in a Village Camp since Summer of 2015 (due to me living in California and last summer I was on maternity leave), so I am excited to finally be back. My daughter just turned 1 this past April, so my husband and I are also excited to be more adventurous with her this Summer.



I am typically a humble person, but I just had to share that the group of teachers I led this weekend during our staff training won the chant off against the other teachers. (Don't let Mrs. Joyce, Mrs. Athena, or Mrs. Krystal tell you otherwise!) I am pumped and ready to go! My energy is also shared with my Village staff. We have some new faces, but many returning faces

as well. We are excited for camp to begin!

Important Camp Dates!

June 17: First day of Camp!

July 4: LeafSpring is Closed in observance of the holiday

July 19: Camp Blue Sky Sleepover (Village only)

August 29 and 30: LeafSpring is Closed due to Staff Days

I hope you all enjoy the last few weeks of the school year. Here's to a FAST AND FURIOUS summer ahead! *See you at Camp!*



Notes from the Preschool

Hello Parents!



We would like to welcome our new families joining us for

the summer! We are going to have a blast as we kick-off Camp Little Cloud (Infants, Red, Orange, and Yellow) and Camp Pee Wee (Green, Blue, Purple, and Gold)! Because so much happens during the summer, [please refer to page 4](#) of this newsletter

to see a weekly breakdown of our events!

For those not with us this summer, have fun, be safe, and enjoy your vacation! We can't see you in the Fall!

Mrs. Joyce and Mrs. Athena

Celebrations this Month!



On Friday, June 7th we will be celebrating little brains with big hearts. In the morning, we will watch our nine friends in the graduating class of 2031 walk down the aisle of the Village Gym.

At 4:30 in the afternoon (hint to parents who usually pick up at this time, the parking lot will be PACKED), we will be pro-

moting 38 pre-kindergarteners!

These days are never easy for us. We have seen your children grow—whether they have been with us since Infant Room or if they just joined us this Fall! Our children grow not only by learning ABC's and 123's, but by learning how to play nicely with others, tell people how

we feel, and how to be a good citizen.

We are going to need a lot of tissues! All of the teachers the children had throughout the years put all of their love and knowledge into these tiny humans. We are proud of all they have accomplished!

Summer Fun in the Sun

Summer is here because it said so! Parents, please apply sunscreen on your children before coming to school. We will re-apply as needed throughout the day.

We use Rocky Mountain sunscreen SPF 30 and will use that when we reapply.

If you choose to bring your own sunscreen, please be sure we can still see the expiration date. Your child's name will need to be on it as well.

Shaprie markers don't last against the sunscreen—try using tape or Mabel's labels

(haha, shameless plug, but I swear by them!) to get the name to stay on longer.

As a reminder, we do follow the air quality conditions on www.airnow.gov to assess whether our little ones will go outside. Orange means will be keep the preschool children inside, as well as any school-aged children that have asthma. Red means we will all stay inside.



Private Kindergarten's Butterflies



Private Kindergarten enjoyed our "Painted Lady Butterfly" project during the month of May. The children learned about the life cycle of the butterfly and were introduced to the concept of "metamorphosis". They were able to observe the caterpillars for a week

before spring break and watched as the caterpillars made their chrysalis. After waiting patiently, and reading many books about the process, our butterflies emerged! We had a healthy crop of over 25! We had a ceremony on the front lawn of Leaf-

Spring to let them go. Observation and life cycle studies were the main topics of this experience.

Relate Education to Real Life

One of the best ways to help your child do well in school is to connect his education with the world outside of school. In other words, show him how what he learns relates to real life.

To demonstrate that link:

- **Point out examples** of things your child is studying as they exist around you. Visit a museum exhibit or see a movie that relates to a topic he is learning about.
- **Talk to your child** about your own education and the things it has helped you do. Show him how people can study what interests them and develop careers

around those ideas. Explain why it is important to explore many subjects at an early age.

- **Take a class yourself.** Talk to your child about what you are learning and how learning is valuable and continues throughout life. Do your homework in the same room while he does his.

Use your talent or training at the school in a career day or special presentation or just by helping out with an activity or project.



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Happy Father's Day!

Happy Father's Day to my Dad—he has always had "my back" growing up when my mom didn't let me have my way. He didn't say much, he'd just sit with me in the living room while we stared out the window. He would share the worst jokes at restaurants that I found embarrassing like "Can I order a diet water?" (SMH) I rarely heard him complain. No matter how many times he would go to the store with a list that included specific brands and even pictures of

the items needed, he would come back with the wrong thing. He would go right back out the door and try again.

Now, as a parent, I feel that I have learned a lot from my dad on not sweating the small stuff and how to not make things bigger than they need to be. Last, Happy Father's Day to my hubby. Thank you for putting up with me (as I realize I have a lot of my mother's tendencies—lists with pictures, never-ending reminders to get something

done, and dusting right behind you because you missed a spot). Our daughter looks to you for your strength and protection and our son thinks he is you. You make us proud!

Happy Father's Day to the Dads that help make our world go round!

Respect!
Mrs. Joyce



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June 2019 Calendar of Events

Camp Little Cloud

Camp Pee Wee Juniors (Green & Blue)

Camp Pee Seniors (Purple & Gold)

(Field Trip locations have been removed from this calendar.)

Theme	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 Picnic Week June 17-21	Camp Circle Challenge: Class Picnic Basket	Mindful Movement Adventure Clubs at 10 am	Water Play	Special Story Time Special Event: JB Rattles at 4 pm on Station Square	Spirit Day: Wear your favorite hat! School-wide picnic behind the school
Week 2 Splash Splash June 24-28	Camp Circle Challenge: Stay Afloat! Juniors in-house FT	Mindful Movement Adventure Clubs at 10 am	Water Play	Special Story Time Special Activity: Frozen Excavation on Station Square	Spirit Day: Wear your sunglasses! Seniors FT
Week 3 Celebrate America July 1-5	Camp Circle Challenge: Class Flag	Mindful Movement Adventure Clubs at 10 am	Spirit Day: Wear red, white, and blue! Patriotic Parade at 4 pm	CLOSED	Special Event: Magician: Rob Westcott 4 pm Station Square

Important Dates to Remember

2019 Closings:

July 4
August 29-30
September 2
November 28-29
December 24-25
December 31 *Closing at 4 pm*

This Month's Celebrations

Children's Birthdays:

01 Ava 5
Adriana 5
Dennis 5
02 Landry 2
06 Gavin 5
Knox 5
08 Lily 8
13 Kyle 5
16 Lovelyn 6
17 Chloe 10
Chloe 9
20 Easton 5
21 Hudson 4
23 Elin 5
25 Josie 3
29 Adam 8
Bronwyn 3
30 Joe 10

Staff Birthdays:

03 Ms. Sandy
10 Ms. Mahogany
17 Mrs. Kim M.
25 Mrs. Kiara

Staff Anniversaries:

07 Mrs. Kristina
7 years!
12 Mrs. Angeline
12 years!!!
12 Mrs. Athena
12 years!!!
12 Ms. Hayley
1 year!

June 2019 Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3	4	5	6	7
Rice Krispies Cereal Broccoli Hash Brown Casserole Green Beans Fruit Cocktail Animal Crackers	Roll w/ Butter Baked Ziti w/ Turkey Salad Peaches Oatmeal Cookies	Corn Flakes Cereal Meatball Marinara (beef, turkey, chicken), Roll Green Beans Mandarin Oranges Cheez-Its	Cheerios Cereal Chicken Alfredo Peas & Carrots Applesauce Vanilla Wafers	Waffles Ham & Cheese Sand- wich, Salad Pineapples Trail Mix
10	11	12	13	14
Roll w/ Butter Mac & Cheese Corn Pineapples Graham Crackers	Cheerios Cereal Turkey Hot Dog on a Bun, Salad Mandarin Oranges Animal Crackers	Rice Krispies Cereal Beef Ravioli Broccoli Applesauce Oatmeal Cookies	Pancakes Turkey Meat-a-Roni Green Beans Peaches Veggie Straws	Corn Flakes Cereal Chicken & Cheese Wrap, Salad Fruit Cocktail Trail Mix
17	18	19	20	21
Cheerios Cereal Creamy 3 Cheese Spaghetti, Salad Fruit Cocktail Trail Mix	Corn Flakes Cereal Chicken Tetrazinni Corn Peaches Vanilla Wafers	String Cheese BBQ Meatballs (beef, turkey, chicken), Roll Mashed Potatoes Mandarin Oranges Animal Crackers	Waffles Chicken Pasta Salad Broccoli Pineapples Oatmeal Cookies	Roll w/ Butter Turkey & Cheese Wrap, Salad Applesauce S'mores Pudding
24	25	26	27	28
Roll w/ Butter Cheese Wraps Salad Applesauce Animal Crackers	Rice Krispies Cereal Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce, Broccoli Mandarin Oranges Trail Mix	String Cheese Turkey Sloppy Joe on a Bun, Salad Pineapples Oatmeal Cookies	Cheerios Cereal Cheesy Chicken & Rice Corn Fruit Cocktail Snack Mix	Waffles Chicken Hot Dog on a Bun Salad Peaches Veggie Straws
Milk served with all meals unless otherwise noted				