

The Country Woodland Connection 4/2017

Theme this month;
Birds & Eggs!



SAVE THE DATE

Mother's Day celebration ...*Muffins with Mom*" will be held here on the CW playground on 5/5 at 3:15pm. Refreshments will be served as our little ones present a special Mother's Day performance! Hope to see all of our wonderful Moms there!



KENWOOD OPEN HOUSE

Our sister school, Kenwood, is having an open house on Sat. 4/29 from 9-12. They offer small class sizes with excellent teachers (kindergarten - 6th grade.) We recommend going if you are interested. For more information or directions, call Alison at (703) 256-4711.

SOCCER!

Soccer officially kicks off Wed. 4/19 around 10am. Classes are held here at CW each Wednesday. 3 year olds and 4 years olds are welcome to participate at an additional fee. Information and registration forms are available in the office. A free trial class will be offered 4/12 for all 3s and 4s.

ACTIVITIES FOR APRIL

- > 4/6- Spring Pictures/Class Pictures
- > 4/12-Free trial soccer class
- > 4/12 Power Tots-if enough children sign-up
- > 4/13 Easter Bunny & Egg Hunt @ 10:30
- > 4/19- First Day of Soccer- (for those who signed up) 10:00
- > 4/21-Earth Day Flower Planting *weather permitting
- > 4/25- Silhouette Artist @10:30 if interested in participating
- > 4/29- Kenwood Open House 9-12
- > 5/5-Muffins With Mom @ 3:15
- > 6/23- Save the Date- Pre-k Graduation @ 10:30



SPRING PICTURES & CLASS PICTURES



Pictures will be taken on Thursday 4/6 starting around 8:00. We will use a wonderful spring time background. (Picture background soon to be hanging in each classroom) All children will be photographed, no pre-payment needed; pay only if you would like to purchase AFTER viewing the proofs. Class pics will be taken, too. More info will be sent home soon.

EDWARD CASEY-SILHOUTTE ARTIST

Silhouette portraits are a unique art form and silhouette artist are increasingly rare. There are only a few professional silhouette artists in the entire country. Edward Casey is particularly spectacular at what he does. He cuts the classic silhouette portraits free hand. He works in person and from photos. Simply by visual comparison, Edward cuts an amazing silhouette portrait that you simply wont believe. Edward will amaze you with his speed and accuracy. For more than 20 years, he has worked at special events and public and private schools across the country. He was a top selling portrait artist at Walt Disney World from 1989-1991 and has won numerous awards for his art work. Edward recently received international recognition and we are so honored and happy to have him at CW on 4/25 at 10:30 am to cut silhouette portraits of our very own little ones! For more info and/or to see examples of his work go to

www.edwardsart.net



Forms and more info attached if interested in having your child participate. These make GREAT Mothers Day gifts!

PLAYGROUND SAFETY POLICY

Please remember that only CW children and staff are permitted on our playground. This is for safety purposes. If you arrive to pick-up your child when they are out playing, please go to the side gate behind the office, sign your child out on the sign-out sheet, then a CW staff member, who is positioned at the gate, will retrieve your child for you. We recently had a change of policy regarding our larger side. The care and safety of our children was top priority when designing this policy. The determination was: having less children on the same part of the playground at the same time allots for better visual supervision, teacher involvement, interaction and monitoring. To still allow all of our children outside at the same time, it was decided that we will split the playground in half when the 3s and 4s are outside together. One group will stay at the front while teachers provide opportunity for more structured, directed outdoor activities, while the other group plays at the back. After a certain amount of time, weather dependent, classes will switch places; and play on the other side of the playground. At pick-up time, when a reasonable number of children have left for the day and enough staff are present, the entire playground may be open. If there is a reduced amount of staff, the front may only be open. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation with our policy. It was constructed with the support from our Corporate Office and our state licensing representative.

LATE FEE POLICY

Please keep in mind our late payment policy. Tuition is due weekly, for that occurring week, by Wednesday at 6pm or a late payment fee of \$15.00 will automatically be added to your account. Many of our families have payment mailed directly to us from their banks or write a months worth of post-dated checks and put in an envelope and drop in our locked, check box in the office. The office then puts the correct corresponding check in the computer for that week. If you have another idea, please let the office know. We want to make tuition payment easy and stress free so no one receives the \$15.00 penalty. However as of April this policy will be strictly enforced by our Corporate office. There will no longer be any exception to this policy. Thank you for your consistent on-time payment.

Power Tots Class

Please let the office know if you want to sign up for Power Tots. The last session will begin 4/12 if we have enough participants. We need a few more children, we really hope to partake one more time so join us if you like!



"Use what talents you possess; the woods would be very silent if no birds sang there except those that sang best."

Henry Van Dyke

EASTER BUNNY



THE EASTER BUNNY HOPS HIS WAY ONTO THE CW PLAYGROUND ON 4/13 AT 10:30. WE WILL ENJOY AN EGG HUNT TOGETHER, LOTS OF HUGS AND GROUP



EARTH DAY EVERY DAY

To celebrate Earth Day, we will liven up our school by planting beautiful flowers and plants on 4/21 (weather permitting) Each class will pick an area and get dirty! It will be their responsibility to keep their plants happy and healthy all season long. Please help us keep CW and its surrounding area clean and beautiful!!