

BELMONT WEEKDAY SCHOOL

SUMMER SCHOLARSHIPS

The Weekday School is currently accepting scholarship applications for the summer session.

The deadline for turning in the application is May 1st.

In addition to your application, financial and work history information is necessary. If you currently receive a scholarship and would like to be considered for the summer, please let Jean know. You will need to fill out another application. Please see Jean or EnaShea for the necessary paperwork, or if you have questions regarding scholarships and their availability.

If you are taking the summer off

and are contemplating applying for assistance in the fall, please let the office know. This helps the scholarship committee in the planning process. The WDS prides itself on being one of the few preschools in Nashville that offers partial assistance for our families who qualify. This is made possible from continued donations and fundraising events.

Thank you.



NEED OF THE MONTH

The Pre-K 4s class is collecting glue sticks.



KROGER PLUS CARD REWARDS

Thank you to everyone who has linked their Kroger Plus Rewards Card to WDS.

Between 12/1/17 and 2/28/18 your Kroger purchases earned \$94 for the school. THANK YOU!

If you shop at Kroger and have not linked your card to our school, please link your Kroger Plus Card to WDS and shop! It is now easier and simpler than in the past, no more gift cards to reload. We ask that as many families as possible link their Kroger Plus card right away, using your computer or smart phone.

How to Link Your Card: (takes about 5 minutes)

Go to www.kroger.com/communityrewards

Create an account by entering the following:

Email

Password

Zip Code

Find location of store you use most.

Add Kroger Plus Card 12-digit number or the phone number linked to you Kroger Plus account

Click on Community Rewards

First name

Last name

Address

Find your organization

Type in our NDO number: 88092 & hit search

Select Belmont Weekday School

Click Enroll

Please forward this information to any relatives or friends who would also like to support WDS. This program allows WDS to earn money on groceries, gift cards, and prescriptions. Unfortunately, fuel is no longer included.



TEA COLLECTION



Thank you also to everyone who made a purchase through the Tea Collection School Days fundraiser.

**Your purchases earned \$76 for the school.
THANK YOU!**

We appreciate your support and participation!

Calendar of Events

APRIL

4/2-4/6: Spring Break **WDS CLOSED**

4/9: WDS Classes Resume

4/24 Visit Day: 9-9:30am returning families

4/25 Visit Day: 9-9:30am returning families, 9:45-10:15am new families

MAY

5/10 & 5/11: Mother's Day Coffee and Treats - WDS Hallways

5/18: Pre-K 4's and Pre-K 5's Graduation - Sanctuary

5/21: End of the Year Celebration Picnic

5/21: Last Day of Spring Session

5/22-5/25: Teacher in-Service **WDS CLOSED**

5/28: Memorial Day **WDS CLOSED**

5/29: First Day of Summer Session 2018

JUNE

6/14 & 6/15: Father's Day Donuts and Coffee-WDS Hallways

JULY

7/4: Independence Day Holiday **WDS CLOSED**

7/30: Last Day of Summer Session 2018

7/31-8/3: Teacher In-Service **WDS CLOSED**

AUGUST

7/31-8/3: Teacher In-Service **WDS CLOSED**

8/6: First Day of Fall Session 2018

CLASSROOM NEWS

INFANTS



GOODBYE MARCH AND HELLO APRIL!

In March we celebrated St. Patrick's Day and Easter. We tried many different colored foods and went on an egg hunt. In April we will be going on a hunt to find lions, tigers, and zebras...oh my! We will be exploring many different animals that live in the jungles and Sahara Desert. We will also continue to

work on developmentally appropriate activities to make the transition to the new rooms easier for the infants, parents, and future teachers. Thank you all for allowing us to be in your children's lives. We are glad to have two more months with each of you.

Happy Spring!

Ms. Jasmine and Ms. Rachel

TODDLERS

The Toddler classroom has "Marched" through this month!



We are all eagerly awaiting spring, so, during the month of April we will focus on "spring things". We will learn about spring weather, blooming flowers, baby animals, and enjoy being outside. We will play in the rain, dig in the dirt, and plant grass to watch it grow in our classroom.

Last month we began working on alphabet letter recognition and we will focus on the letters E through J in April.

We will also celebrate Theodore's birthday on April 17th and Margot's birthday on the 18th. They will both be 2! Happy Birthday Theodore and Margot! Ms. Jen will also celebrate her birthday on the 22nd.



Ms. Jen, Ms. Jennifer, and Ms. Tori

TWOS

What a MAGICAL March! We have spent time exploring spring and the life and growth blooming around us, celebrating St. Patrick's Day, preparing for our Spring Sing-A-Long and Art Show, and celebrating Easter.



Some of our favorite activities have been digging in our potting soil sensory bin, creating art with items from nature that we collected, planting grass, tulip bulbs, and herb seeds, digging for worms, and working in our rice sensory bins. The bins have changed weekly; from spring colored rice to green St. Patrick's Day rice, to deep brown rice that looks like dirt to Easter rice and grass. We also spent a great deal of time working on our Art Show projects and starting our garden. We can't wait to see what will grow from our hard work!

In April, we are looking forward to Spring Break and then returning to study baby animals, spring weather/rain, and Earth Day.

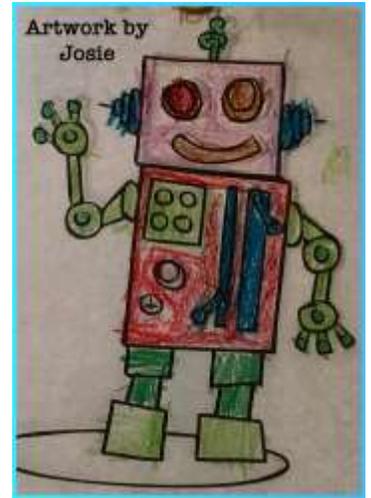
Thank you to everyone who was able to come to parent-teacher conferences. We enjoyed our time with each of you.

Ms. Karina and Ms. Amy Kathryn

NEARLY THREES

WELCOME APRIL! Spring has arrived. Please check your child's cubby to switch out spare clothes and ensure they are weather appropriate. In March, we learned about St. Patrick's Day, Dr. Seuss, transportation, and bugs. During Dr. Seuss week we loved reading and discussing many of his books. We tried green eggs and ham, learned about rhyming words, and the letter "O". During St. Patrick's Day week, we graphed and sorted Lucky Charms marshmallows, and tasted Leprechaun food (Lucky Charms, Corn Chex cereal, green M&M's, white chocolate, and green sprinkles mixed together). We made "P" is for pizza pictures for our alphabet books and worked on our spring art show project. We were extremely excited about performing, showing off our art, and sharing lunch with you. We also loved learning about different types of transportation and bugs. In April we will be learning about spring, life cycles, and zoo animals. We will also be working with the letters S, T, and U and 3 new states. We hope you all enjoy Spring Break.

Ms. Amanda and Ms. Maria



THREES—ROOM 114

The month of March was filled with excitement. We began the month learning to care for our bodies. Then, we celebrated Dr. Seuss by learning about rhyming words and trying green eggs and ham, which the children enjoyed. We then took an adventure to the land of the leprechaun, Ireland! We believe a leprechaun followed us back to school and created mischief in our class room, but left us a special treat of cookies and green juice. Yum! For math, we counted and sorted by colors using Froot Loops. We spent time after that studying wind and weather. We became meteorologists and gave our own

weather predictions. We then ended March with a visit from the Easter bunny and an egg hunt. We hope that everyone has a wonderful Easter and Spring Break. Our letters for



the month of April will be W,X,Y, Z. Our weekly topics will be spring/birds, Earth Day, planting flowers and Cinco de Mayo.

Thank you to those parents who took time out of their day to join us for parent-teacher conferences and thank you to those who joined us for the Spring Sing-A-Long and Art Show. We are very proud of the hard work the children put into the show and their art. We hope you enjoy the art canvases!

Happy Birthday to Lydia (4/27).

Ms. Diane and Ms. Susan

THREES—ROOM 116



As we made our way through March, we realized how many magical characters we come across this time of year. We learned about everything from the tooth fairy, to leprechauns, to the Easter bunny! Three is a fabulous age to engage with in pretend play. We will never forget the look on their faces when the leprechaun forgot to flush the potty!

Another of our favorite activities in March was coloring and learning how to fly paper airplanes! Sometimes the simplest things can be delightful for preschoolers. In April our units will include birds, Earth Day, insects, and flowers.



We have three birthdays in April. Zoe, Van, and Kennedy will all be turning four this month.

Ms. Liz and Ms. Melissa

PRE-K FOURS

What a fantastic March we had celebrating birthdays, magically vanquishing all germs (!!), studying and making new works of art, hopping forward into Spring, and creeping out with the crawlers.

We celebrated Dr. Seuss and 5 students' birthdays! In April we will celebrate 2 students' and Ms. Karina's birthdays.

During our germ week, our experiment taught us that we are secretly the cleanest human beings of all the planet!

Germs don't exist here! Or rather, the preservatives in packaged bread are no match for germs.

We were so excited for the love and support we received during our Spring Art show as we really got into "action" paintings and learned about Jackson Pollock.

March ended with a buzz as we studied and played with creepy crawlers: bugs, insects, and spiders.

We're excited for the month ahead of us. As much as we need to learn to take care of our bodies and our friends, we will also begin to look at the importance of taking care of our earth. Be sure to be on the lookout for all the Earth Day activities and celebrations, and our classroom Earth Day Initiative!

Ms. Karina, & Ms. Ann Walker



PRE-K FIVES

Happy April from the Pre-K Fives!

We are happy to welcome spring and the end of the year is quickly approaching.

In March we:

- Practiced rhyming during Dr. Seuss week
- Reviewed numbers 1-100 and learned to count by 10's and 100's during our number week
- Celebrated St. Patrick's Day and had a visit from Lucky the Leprechaun
- Learned about Eric Carle and explored his style of writing and illustrating books
- Celebrated Easter with an Easter egg hunt
- Worked on learning addresses and phone numbers
- Enjoyed playing with our new giant Magnatiles

In April we will:

- Learn about the water cycle
- Explore spring weather and blooming flowers
- Learn how to take care of our earth and the importance of recycling



Thanks to everyone who came to our parent-teacher conferences. We enjoyed showing you your child's progress and their hard work throughout the year.

Enjoy Spring!

Mrs. Elizabeth and Mrs. Lauren



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SPRING SING-ALONG LUNCHEON & ART SHOW

Thank you for the amazing turnout for our Spring Sing-A-Long and Art Show!
It was a huge success!



The Scholastic Books website is a great place to order age appropriate books for your child(ren). By going to their website, you will find a wider variety of additional books than in the flyer that goes home each month. When you place an order, the Weekday School earns free books for our library and classrooms.

Ordering is easy!

Simply go to www.scholastic.com/readingclub.

OUR CLASS CODE IS PJG6V AND THE DEADLINE TO ORDER IS April 19th.

