

# The Spotted Zebra Learning Center

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JULY 2021



## What is Happening in the Classrooms....



### VIOLET ROOM NEWS

Congratulations to all of our recent Violet Room graduates. We are so proud of you and how well you did at graduation. We would like to wish the very best to Dougie, Katie, Layla, and Oliver as they transition to the Blue Room this summer. You will always have a special place in our hearts.

The teachers in the Violet Room would like to extend a warm welcome to Alyssa, Emilia, Emma, Kezia, Margaret, Raymond, Thea, and Trinity to our class. We are very excited to start working with you.

The Violet Room teachers would like to thank all our parents for all their support and kind words through Zoom, Google Classroom, and Office emails during this very challenging school year. It has been such a wonderful experience working with all of you even if it was only virtual.

The themes for July are camping/forest animals, ocean, and Pirates. Please remember theme related books, games, and puzzles are always welcomed.

Please remember to apply sun block on your child(ren) before they arrive at school, this helps make for a calmer and less stressful morning routine. The Violet Room will be participating in outdoor water play weather permitting starting the week of July 12th on Tuesdays. We would appreciate if you could send your child(ren) in their bathing suits and water shoes along with an extra set of dry clothes to change into. Please remember to label all bathing suits, beach towels, hats, and water shoes.

Ms. Laura, Ms. Chris, Ms. Katina, and Ms. Kathy



## Blue Room News

Happy Summer! June was a very exciting month for us. We want to thank everyone for coming to graduation and making it such a success! We have had a wonderful year with your children and have truly enjoyed getting to know and spend time with them. As the school year wraps up, we are looking forward to our summer program.

In July, we will be covering the theme of ocean, shark week, outer space, summer and continuing to work on pre-kindergarten concepts. Our friends have worked so hard all year on learning their letters and numbers. We will continue to practice writing them and working on counting skills. In the summer, our friends love to use the sprinklers in our backyard.

Please send your child to school wearing their bathing suit and water shoes to school every Wednesday, weather permitting. They will also need a towel, change of clothes, and change of shoes. You will find their wet clothes and towels. We really appreciate your cooperation to make outside play go as smoothly as possible!

This month, we would like to welcome Roswyn, Kiaan, Oliver H., Douglas, and Kathryn to the Blue Room. We would also like to wish Oliver H. a HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Ms. Erica, Ms. Jenna, Ms. Lauren  
& Ms. Karen



## Bizzy Beez News

Bizzy Beez is very excited for summer! We have many exciting themes to explore. We start off our summer with summer foods and putting our 5 senses to the test! We will then venture into a week of camping fun. We plan to "camp out," make s'mores, craft and read books by flashlight in our sleeping bags. We will leave the woods and head to the beach and have some sensory fun with sand, seashells and water.

We are working on rearranging our learning space to engage our kiddos in all their areas of play and exploration. Please take a peek and check out the changes we are making.

We are excited to announce that we are expanding the program in the fall to include an afternoon 4 year old program. Be sure to check out the Bizzy Beez Facebook page and share, tell your friends and get the word out!

~ Ms. Carrie, Ms. Christina, Ms. Ang, Ms.  
Laura and Ms. Megan

### Important Upcoming Zebra Dates/Notes:

- ✓ July 5<sup>th</sup> – Spotted Zebra closed for Independence Day!
- ✓ Spotted Zebra closed the week of August 30<sup>th</sup>!!

## Playing in the Sandbox News

Our first week of "Playing in the Sandbox" in the Orange Room was a great success! Our theme was "All About Me." We learned all about ourselves and explored our favorite toys, activities, foods and color.

We also had opportunities to foster friendships by learning (e.g. asking and listening) about our friends' favorite things. We've started learning about our positive character traits, and how we can share them with others in order to be good friends. We focused on our eyes and what we see in the classroom. We looked at our friend's faces to detect how they might be feeling and how we can act. We used our ears to listen to what others have to say. And practiced using positive responses such as complements and comments to share information.

In addition, we learned about school rules, the "lucky duck" (a student of the day, who has special responsibilities, such as line leader and calendar helper), and how to play with our friends safely on the playground. We made crafts to display our great friend skills and sang songs about listening and friendship.

In July, we will focus on Whole Body Listening skills and meet Superflex, our social skill superhero. We will have new themes each week and learn how to outsmart Social Town Unthinkables like "Rock Brain." We can't wait!

Ms. Liz, Mr. Jason, Ms. Cailyn & Ms.  
Heather



## Green Room News

Summer greetings! Graduation Day could not have been more perfect. We are so proud that the children could show you how well their hard work paid off! Thank you for joining us and helping to make it such a special day. We are looking forward to a fun-filled summer program in the Green Room with lots of extra outside time. We will be welcoming two new friends – Chloe and Joseph. We wish Arturo a great summer and good luck in the new school year! Ms. Liz will be right next door in the Orange Room and will be in and out to see us too.

After a four-day week of celebrating July 4<sup>th</sup> and getting back into routine, we will be having fun with a unit on summer foods. This theme gives us the opportunity to make and taste lots of homemade treats. Then will have some camping fun that will include fireflies, boating and rafting, woodland animals, and camping foods.

After, we will move on to explore the beach, which will lead us into August and exploring the depths of the ocean.

Green Room's sprinkler time will be on Wednesdays. Fridays will be a makeup day if it rains. We will also schedule additional times for special activities throughout the summer. Please send in a labeled bathing suit, towel, water shoes and set of spare clothes (including underwear) at the start of your child's school week. Thank you!

Before we close, we would like to wish Sofia a happy birthday this month!

Ms. Carol, Ms. Elle & Ms. Christiana