

# The Spotted Zebra Learning Center

AUGUST 2022



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

### VIOLET ROOM NEWS

It is hard to believe August is upon us, and we are winding down the summer session. We have had a blast playing in the sprinklers, bubbles, and other fun summer activities.

The themes for the month of August are Pirates, Dinosaurs, and Carnival. We will be starting visits to the new classrooms this month so the children can get familiar with the new space and new faces.

The children will be learning about maps, fossils, and what it takes to be a ring master, clown, and a wide variety of fun activities.

Just a friendly reminder to apply sunscreen in the morning before school. Tuesdays and Fridays are our water play days. Spotted Zebra is a nut free school. Please be mindful when sending in your child's lunch, we have severe nut allergies in the Violet Room.

Thank You for your help in making this school year so successful. It has been an extreme pleasure watching your children learn and grow.

**Ms. Danielle, Ms. Chris, Ms. Katina, Ms. Lauren and Ms. Heather**





## Blue Room News

The summer is in full swing in the Blue Room. July was a very busy, hot and fun-filled month. We spent a lot of time in the sprinklers, going for walks and on the playground. We spent two weeks exploring a beach/summer theme. We also learned about ocean animals and sharks. Our favorite book was "There's A Hole in the Bottom of the Sea". We also said goodbye to Miss Jenna at the end of July. We wish her the best of luck in her new endeavor.

In August we will explore camping. We will make S'mores and turn our dramatic play area into a campground. We'll end the month with a fun carnival theme.

Happy Birthday this month to Katie, Dougie, Aaron and Miss Karen!

Best wishes to our friends who will be moving on to the Green Room, Orange Room or Kindergarten in September. It has been wonderful working with the Blue Room children and families.

Finally thank you to all of the Blue Room families for your support throughout the year. It has truly been a pleasure working with all of you. The last day of the special education program will be August 12<sup>th</sup>. The last day of the preschool/childcare program is August 26<sup>th</sup>.

Enjoy the rest of the summer!

**Ms. Erica, Ms. Jenna, Ms. Kathryn, Ms. Brittany & Ms. Karen**



## Bizzy Beez News

It's hard to believe that our summer program only has a couple weeks left! Our last day of summer program is August 12<sup>th</sup> and we will be spending one of those weeks having fun with different styles of art. We will explore painting, drawing and other methods to create artwork. We will read some interactive books that involve art and create some group art projects. Our last week we will celebrate all the fun we had together this summer with a carnival.

We had an amazing summer together and we will miss everyone. We look forward to seeing you again in September! We wish those friends moving on to kindergarten good luck and most of all have fun! We are proud of you!

**Ms. Carrie, Ms. Christina, Ms. Hope, Ms. Ang, Ms. Marlis and Ms. Megan**

### Upcoming Dates to Note for Holiday Closures

**SPOTTED ZEBRA WILL BE CLOSED August 29 - September 6<sup>th</sup>. All programs reopen on Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>!**



## Green Room News

It's hard to believe that we are almost through summer program. Time flies when you're having fun!

Our summer foods unit was a big hit with your kiddos. They had a chance to make lemonade and ice cream! We also talked about the oceans and beaches. There was a huge interest in ocean animals, especially sharks and whales. We turned our Dramatic Play area into an aquarium, your kiddos had a blast with this! We have been loving getting to play in the sprinkler this summer! Your kiddos love getting to run through it and play in the water tables.

As August begins, we will be talking about camping. We are looking forward to turning our classroom into a campsite and a picnic area. We are also looking forward to making S'mores!

Following that unit, we will be having a wacky week! Each day will be a different theme ending in a pajama party.

Our last day of Special Education programming is August 12<sup>th</sup>. Spotted Zebra will remain open through August 26<sup>th</sup> for preschool/childcare programming.

We would like to wish you a very happy August!

**Ms. Kaylyn, Ms. Elle, Ms. Christiana & Ms. Rachel**



## Playing in the Sandbox

We are flying through our Superflex and Social Town curriculum with our Sandbox Group! Our "Superheroes in Training" have successfully defeated the Rock Brain and Glass Man! Rock Brain makes you get stuck on doing only what you want to do and doesn't let you compromise. While Glass Man causes big reactions to small problems. Superflex and his flexible brain overcame these Unthinkables using positive self-talk and trying new strategies to be flexible in all situations.

Our superheroes have also mastered the art of "Whole Body Listening" here in the classroom. We have teamed up with Kool Q. Cumber and Rex Flexinator! Kool Q. Cumber helps us to keep our cool and use our words to express how we are feeling or if we need extra help from friends or adults to solve problems. Rex Flexinator helps us to be flexible thinkers, so we don't get stuck on thoughts or plans.

We will be taking our tools from July as we fly into August, taking on more Unthinkables! We completed our food drive as well as our Lending Library this month and will have plenty more fun events for our friends like our Ice Cream Social! We will have a blast at our end of the summer Superflex parade!

**Ms. Kathryn, Ms. Liz, Ms. Kenzie, Ms. Sammy  
Ms. Casey and Mr. Jason**

