# The Spotted Zebra Learning Center

## JULY 2022



### What is Happening in the

### Classrooms....



Congratulations to all our recent Violet Room graduates. We are so proud of you and how well you did at graduation. We would like to welcome, Evie, Brodie, and Thomas to the Violet Room this summer. 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 throughout the year. We are beyond grateful for the generous, thoughtful gift from the class and their families

The themes for July are Camping, Ocean, and Pirates.

Please remember to apply sun block on your child(ren) before they arrive at school as 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 18<sup>th</sup>; info on our scheduled day to follow. 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.

Finally, Happy Birthday to Patrick on July 23rd!

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



Happy Summer! June was a very exciting month for us. We want to thank you for coming to graduation and making it such a success! We have had a wonderful year with all of 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 themes of ocean, shark week, summer sports, camping, and continuing to work on our pre-kindergarten concepts. Our friends have worked so hard all year on learning their letters and number. We will continue to practice writing them and working on our counting skills.

During the summer, we will be going to our side yard to play in the sprinkler. Please look out for more information in the next week or so. The children will need their bathing suits, water shoes, towel, and a change of clothes. We really appreciate your cooperation to make outside play go as smoothly as possible!

We would like to wish Oliver a Happy Birthday!

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



Welcome to our summer program! So many exciting things planned!

Our three old class will explore the great outdoors and go camping! We will try s'mores, make crafts and camp out under the stars in a real tent in our sleeping bags. The rest of the summer will incorporate summer foods, going to the beach, fine motor exploration, express our inner artist and wrap up summer by "visiting" the carnival.

Our four-year-olds will be diving into summer becoming superheroes and participating in an "villain" obstacle course to kick off summer camp. The rest of the summer they will participate in a sensory week and make stress balls and become mad scientists as they erupt a volcano or make a crystal garden. We will expand on their culinary skills, use their imagination to create artwork using different mediums and finish the summer by becoming expert Lego builders. Happy summer!!

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>!



Summer greetings! Graduation Day could not have been more perfect. We are so proud that your kiddos 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 friend this summer– Rosabella and Louise. We wish Gus, Eliza, and Clay a great summer and good luck in the new school year!

After a four-day week of celebrating July 4th 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. We will be using the sprinkler this summer, please be on the lookout for more information. We will also schedule additional times for special activities throughout the summer.

Please send in a labeled swimming suit, towel, water shoes and a set of spare clothing (including underwear) at the start of your child's school week. Thank you!

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



Our first week of "Playing in the Sandbox" in the Orange Room was a great success!

Our theme was "All About Me." We all got to know each other a little bit better, as well as ourselves. We had the opportunity to foster friendships by learning (e.g. asking and listening) about our friends' favorite things, especially when using our conversation cards.

We have started learning about how we can create a positive environment together through being a kind friend and each taking part in creating classroom rules. Students were able to create personalized "Feeling Charts", to utilize when checking in and out every day. We used our ears to listen to what others have to say and identified ways our actions and words may make others feel. In addition, friends explored different crafts such as self-portraits, friendship bracelets, hand butterflies, slime, "belly buddies", and lots of games!

We were introduced to our Superflex curriculum which will continue more through the month of July. This curriculum will be blended in to help our class identify their strengths and find our problem-solving skills.

Throughout the next month, we have many more fun crafts and activities with our focus shifting to community helpers. With a different theme each week and an awesome group, we have lots to explore this summer!

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