

Harleysville Learning Center

May Newsletter

A Word from the Director...



The April showers didn't keep us from having a fun indoor egg hunt. The kids had so much fun searching for eggs inside. One student from each class had a chance to find the top secret "Miss Kristen" egg. Those lucky finders got to visit Miss Kristen and receive a large chocolate bunny! The teachers and I had such fun hiding the eggs for the children.

The St. Jude's Trike-A-Thon was another huge success! The kids get to have fun while raising money for a really great cause! We, also, get to learn all about bicycle safety in the process! It is such a great learning experience.

In the month of May, we will be celebrating all our HLC Mom's with a Muffin's with Mom Morning! Mom's will be invited to come in for a muffin breakfast with their child on Friday, May 11th. Muffins will be served from 6:30am-9:00am. Mom's are welcome to come at any time during that time frame to enjoy a muffin with their child before dropping them off for care. We look forward to seeing you all there!

Also, during this month, we will be asking parents to review Emergency Contact Forms. We want to verify that all the information you provided us with is still accurate before we move into the summer. All you will need to do is see Miss Kristen or an A-Team member to show you your current form. Then, all you need to do is sign the bottom, if the information is still correct or receive a new form, if it needs to be updated. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our files up to date!

Here's to another great month of learning and growing together!
~Miss Kristen

Friendly Parent Reminders:

- Please make sure you are signing your child in and out each day. Each classroom has a sign in/out sheet hanging near their doorway for you to do so. It's very important that we keep track of when a child has arrived and left our center. If you are unsure where your child's sheet is located, please see your child's teacher.
- Please make sure you are walking your child to their classroom with a teacher in the morning when dropping them off. Children should never be left unsupervised to walk to their classroom alone. We want to make sure all our children are safely with a teacher.
- If you are a Pre-K parent, please remember to return your child's permission slip for Classroom Adventure Stories. If you need a new permission slip, then please see Miss Kristen.
- Don't forget to turn in your child's Summer Camp Registration Packet, if you haven't done so already! We are now open to the public!

Where Curiosity Becomes Knowledge

Dates to Remember:

- May 6th-12th—Teacher Appreciation Week
- Friday, May 11th—Muffins with Mom 6:30-9:00am
- Tuesday, May 15th—SASD Closed
- Wednesday, May 16th—Wear Sunglasses Day
- Wednesday, May 23rd—Classroom Adventure Story @10:00am
- Friday, May 25th—Hat Day
- Monday, May 28th—HLC Closed

Teacher Birthday's

None



Monthly Themes and Letters

Themes:

Apr 30- May 4—Reptiles and Amphibians
May 7-11—Mother's Day- I love my Mommy!
May 14-18—Extreme Weather (Hurricanes,
Tornados, etc.)
May 21-25—Down by the Seashore/Ocean
Animals

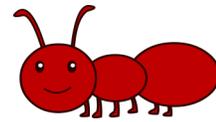
Letters:

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Growing Up Wild This Month

Ants on Parade



This month your child is learning about ants and the way they live. They will be learning about the four stages of the ant's life cycle, how ants live in colonies, and the different body parts of an ant. You can become an ant detective with your child and discover another world in you own backyard.

Learning is Everywhere

Here are some fun things you can do at home with your child:

- **Find an object around the house and ask your child to think of words that rhyme or sound the same. Nonsense words re acceptable too. Example: bed--head; oven—lovin**
- **Play a counting game around the house. Ask your child to find specific amounts of different objects you describe. Example: 5 pennies, 3 race cars, etc.**
- **Make a puzzle with your child. Cut a picture (from a magazine, an old calendar, photograph, or child drawing) into 4-6 pieces. Together, put the pieces together.**
- **Choose one of your child's favorite songs and sing it together. Then, change the ending to make it silly and sing it again.**

Infants

Spring is here and we're finally getting some nicer weather! Our babies are getting so big already. They are starting to roll and grab at toys. I'm very excited to see their little personalities start to show. I love coming every morning and spending the day with all these little cuties.

A few friendly reminders:

- *Please make sure you are signing your child in/out daily.
- *Feel free to change out their winter clothes to spring clothes.

To all of our Mom's Happy Mother's Day!

~Miss Val

Mixed Aged Toddlers

The May flowers have officially arrived and just in time for Mother's Day! Goodbye April Showers! Hello May Flowers! The weather is getting nicer and we are going outside every day. Please make sure that your child comes to school dressed appropriately. Also, please make sure your child has a full set of weather appropriate spare clothes at school. As the nicer days are here remember to sunscreen your children every morning. Sun screening all exposed skin is important as we travel outside quite often!

Our shape of the month is a trapezoid.

Our color of the month is gray.

Muffins with Mom is on May 11th.

Just a reminder that HLC will be closed on May 28th.

Thanks!

Happy Mother's Day! Happy Memorial Day!

~Miss Manjula

Pre-K1

So far the Spring weather hasn't been all that nice, maybe now since it's May we will be getting more warm weather so we can spend more time outside.

We are continuing to work with letter identification in different ways and will begin working more with numbers. In addition we have been practicing identifying everyone's name in our class, some of us know them pretty well!

To expand our circle time learning we have started doing a question of the day (you can find the daily question on the back of the classroom door).

Reading Logs

Have you been watching our Reading Worm grow? Keep bringing in the completed reading logs. Your child can color 1 picture for every book you read to them during a family storytime or for their bedtime story.

Miss Amber & Miss Anna





Pre-K2

Do you believe there is only a month and a half left? The time has just flown by! On May 11th, we will be celebrating our moms by holding a Muffins with Mom! We are so excited to celebrate such a special person in our life! The kids are so excited to show their moms what they have made for them!

On May 15th, SASD will be closed and on May 28th HLC will be closed for Memorial Day. As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to come to me.

Thank you!

~Miss Corine & Miss Brittany

Kindergarten

Hi Everyone! I am excited to join the HLC family as the new Kindergarten teacher! My name is Katie and I'm looking forward to a great rest of the school year and a fun summer with your kiddos! I can't believe it is already May, the year is flying by! We have some fun themes coming up this month including Reptiles and Amphibians, Mother's Day, Extreme Weather, and Down by the Seashore/Ocean Animals. We will be doing some fun activities together and learning each day. You can discuss these themes at home and ask your child what they learned in school. They are always so excited to learn that I am positive they will have some cool facts for you, they always have them for me! We will be able to get outside more often with the weather warming up, the kids are very excited about that. They love their time on the playground! If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to ask me! Happy Spring!

~Miss Katie

Before and After School

Happy May! Can you believe that the school year is almost coming to an end? One more month of school left and do you know what comes after school comes to an end? That's right, Summer Camp! Summer camp is now open to the public, so please don't forget to turn in your summer camp packet so that your child is guaranteed a spot for this year's summer camp! We are so excited and eager for summer camp to start!

Just a few reminders...Souderton Area School District will be closed May 15th and May 23rd. St. Mary's will be closed May 25th and the 28th. North Penn School District will be closed May 15th and May 28th. Harleysville Learning Center will be closed as well on May 28th. Please let us know if your children will be attending here at Harleysville Learning Center on your child's day off from school.

Make sure you mark your calendars for Muffins with Mom. Mother's Day is May 13th this year, but we will be celebrating on May 11th here at the Harleysville Learning Center. This year we will be doing something a little different. We will be having muffins with mom for breakfast instead of in the afternoon. If you wish to attend, please arrive anywhere between the hours of 6:30-8:00am as the before and after schoolers need to leave for school at 8am.

I hope to see you all there to celebrate Mother's Day!

~Miss Miranda

In Our Spare Time

Miss Miranda visited Jacksonville, North Carolina to visit her brother and sister-in-law. They are expecting their first child soon. Miss Miranda is super excited to meet her nephew, Maverick, and become an Aunt! We know she will be a great role model!



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Harleysville Learning Center, established in 1992, provides life building experiences to infants, toddlers, and pre-school children, as well as safe day care services and a structured after school program.

The goal of the center is to make your child's first encounter with school a positive, enjoyable, and successful one. The entire staff strives to meet the physical, educational,