



Live and Learn Early Learning Center

Family News

June 10, 2013

Plan Ahead!

Live & Learn will be closed, both sites, for cleaning and training from June 19th-21st and will reopen for the summer on June 24th! Public School is still in session this year so please be sure to make alternate child care plans! *Please remember that families are financially responsible for this closed time as it states in the family handbook!*

SPECIAL PERSON LUNCH! THURSDAY 6/13!

In honor of Father's Day, we invite a special grown up (mom, dad, grandparent, aunt, uncle, friend, etc.) to join your child for lunch or afternoon snack!

- ★ Infants and Toddlers will do a special snack at 4pm!
- ★ Preschool will run their special lunch from 11-12.
- ★ To accommodate the bus kids, Kindergarten will run their special lunch from 11-12:30!

Preschool and Kindergarten special people, please bring your own lunch but we will provide the yummy dessert!



We hope to see as many special people as can make it! **Any questions? Your child's teachers can help!**

Resource for Teachers & Parents:

Check out www.writeoutofthebox.com to find fun ways to help children improve their fine motor skills!



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End of Year Celebration!

Save the date!

Tuesday June 18th
5-7:30 pm!

**Pot luck dinner,
Kindergarten graduation,
center-wide slide show,
and dance performance!**



We go outside every day and do a tick check twice a day! Please do a tick check on your child every night! Thanks!



The new Toddler Outdoor Classroom is finished! Please feel free to check it out! Thank you to Dave for all of your hard work and to all of the Live & Learn families who helped us fundraise!

Thanks a million to Cooper's family for the bin full of legos and the doll house furniture! We love it!

Family Fun:

Market Square Day in Portsmouth on Sat. June 8th.

We were lucky enough to have Steve Blunt come perform at Live & Learn on Thursday! Every classroom got to enjoy the music and fun! Look for pictures soon up on the web and in the entryway!



Dates to Remember:

- * Thurs. 6/13 is the special person lunch in honor of Father's Day!
- * The End of Year Celebration is Tues. 6/18!
- * We are closed for cleaning and training June 19-21.
- * We re-open for the summer on 6/24!
- * We will be celebrating International Mud Day on Friday June 28th!

Arts & Music Festival

ORAA is hosting an arts and music festival Saturday June 22nd from 11am-1:30pm on the Oyster River High School field. There is free entry. In addition to an excellent live band there will be lots of fantastic children's activities there (bounce house, storytelling, arts and crafts, face painting, "fun run", BBQ, ice cream truck). http://oralumni.org/oraa/images/2013festivafllyer_kids.pdf. For a full list of festival activities go to the website www.orfest.org.

Infants:

The rabbit came in for a visit this week! The children really enjoyed petting him! Kindergarten's guinea pig also came for a visit and the infants loved watching him crawl around and patting him! We also made playdough and the kids loved the sensory experience of pouring and mixing the ingredients. Later we got to play with the dough, squish it in our hands and roll it into balls. We also had the opportunity to explore Toddlers new outdoor classroom! Thanks Dave!

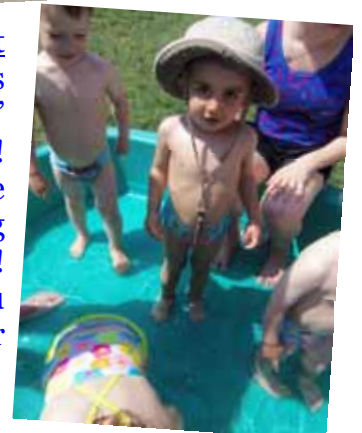


Toddlers:

Wow, it's June already! We've been interested in the sensory table this week exploring water beads. We also made and explored new green playdough, painted with large and small brushes, and did lots of yoga and music & movement. We also colored on our new easel for our outdoor classroom and got out the tunnels, scooters, rody's and sit n' spins! We did some dobber painting and also explored the gears and magna tiles on the light table. We made muffins, did color mixing on the light table and also made beautiful marker drawings! We also celebrated opening up our new outdoor classroom by using our new easel outside! Come check it out!



We have been very interested in the book [Goodnight Hawaii](#) that we got from Dominic's Grammy so we will be "taking a trip" to Hawaii on Wednesday 6-12-13! *Bring your bathing suit!* We will be in the pool, in the sand, and enjoying traditional Hawaiian fruits all day! See the Toddler classroom door if you would like to help provide a fruit or drink!



Younger Preschool:

We have had a fun and busy week in Younger Preschool! We continued working in our garden, planting sunflower seeds, and watering! We also worked more on our special person gifts. We have shown an interest in letters and writing this week so we have been practicing writing our names! Have a great weekend! **Wish list:** We would love some child-

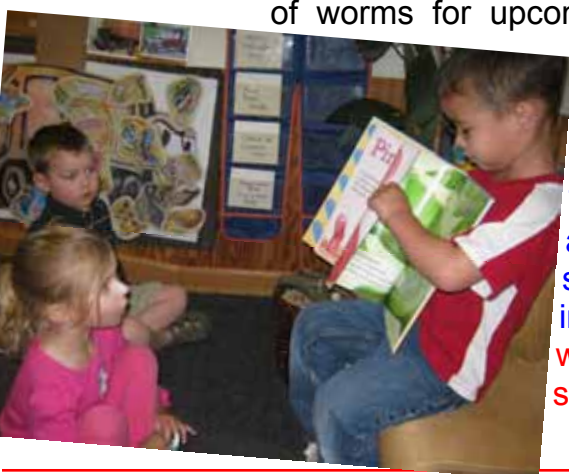


sized watering cans! Thank you to Amos and his family for the donation of pots and pans for our outdoor classroom!



Older Preschool:

We have been very busy getting Father's Day gifts finished up. What a fun experiment we did with shaving cream, liquid water colors, and water in the sensory table! We expanded on it the next day by making prints. We did more planting in the garden. Some of the plants will be a surprise as to when and where they pop up! The outdoor classroom has been a wonderful place to be on hot days! We have started to make all kinds



of worms for upcoming activities and just to play with! We will be celebrating WORM DAY on June 18th. We

have a list of donations we would love for the celebration! Thank you to Jo for our new sifters and pails for pouring! Thank you to Dave for the pieces of wood, nails, screws, and washers. Thank you also for the seeds and plants you share with us. Thank you to Shawn and Brian for coming in to tell us stories and share music with us! **Wish List:** We would love some empty plastic liter bottles and some silky/sheer material.

Kindergarten:

This week Kindergarten enjoyed lots of time bike riding; we rode around the loop in back of Live and Learn! We also went for a long walk to a pond on James Farm Road. The kindergarteners wanted to explore a path there, but we didn't have enough time, so we will venture out at an earlier time next week to ensure that all of the interested children have sufficient time to explore! We were treated to a concert on Thursday and everyone enjoyed moving to the music and signing along. We also explored color with shaving cream (and did a little math, too!). We painted and explored octopus tentacles and suction, attempting to see how much weight a suction cup could hold.



Please join us for the special person lunch on Thursday from 11-12:30 (depending on when your child usually eats lunch)!



Thank you for putting bug spray and sunscreen on your child each morning prior to arrival; it makes the morning more productive because it eliminates the "Oh, no! I don't have sunscreen on!" scramble. **Wish List: We would love some spare outdoor (closed toe) shoes/sneakers for our classroom!**

School Age:

Afterschool has been rehearsing like crazy to get ready for the talent show! The children have perfected their acts and are so excited to share their talents with everyone!



Thanks to everyone who supported our big night! **Thanks so much to all the teachers who went out of their way to make us goodies to sell at our talent show bake sale! You're the best!**