

WILLOW BEND TIMES

April/May 2018

Spring News!

We are looking forward to April showers and May flowers, as the kids welcome spring with gardening, bugs, frogs, butterflies, and rainbows.

See what your child is doing in school! Please "like" **Willow Bend Learning Center** on our Facebook page. Log on to our website and click the "like" link in the Facebook box, and follow us on Twitter as well! www.willowbendlearningcenter.com

UPCOMING APRIL/MAY EVENTS

- Apr 19th: Pre-K Cotillion; 3:30-5:00 pm
- Apr 23rd - 27th: Child Assessment Week
- May 7th - May 11th: Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 11th: Mother's Day Social; 3:30-4:30 pm
- May 28th: Memorial Day; WBLC Closed
- May 30th - May 31st: Conferences; 3:30-6:30 pm

MOTHER'S DAY SOCIAL



Please join us for an afternoon **Ice-Cream Social** hosted by your child's class, on **Friday, May 11, at 3:30 pm.**

All classes are putting together a special performance with individual themes, crafting a true labor of love in honor of their moms!

Everyone, including moms, grandmas, aunts, and even dads, are welcome!

Pre-K Cotillion

We are so excited for our Pre-K class as they get Kindergarten-ready over the next few months. We have several important milestones and events coming up, including the **Cotillion Show**, their final Mother's and Father's Day performances, Kidventure Junior Camp, and of course Graduation Day!

One of the most awaited rites of passage for our pre-kindergarteners is the **Cotillion Show**. This year we will present a very special cotillion and etiquette performance during **Pre-K Cotillion on Thursday, April 19th at 3:30 pm.** Please mark your calendars, because this is an event you do not want to miss!

Medication and other Medical Reminders:

- Parents must pick-up sick children **within 30 minutes** of being notified.
- Remember to **fill-in all the columns** in the medication log, including date, dosage, and signature.
- All medication must be in a **zip-lock bag** with the **current date** on it, and must **be picked up** at the end of the day.
- Non-prescription medication can only be dispensed for **3 days without a doctor's note** and for up to **10 days with a doctor's note**, within a 90-day period. Please see an administrative staff member regarding non-prescription medication guidelines.
- Our staff **cannot** apply **lotions, sunscreen or bug creams** to your child.
- Please bring us a copy of your latest shot record **after every visit** to the pediatrician.



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Parent-Teacher Conferences



Child assessments are based on several age appropriate social, physical and academic skills, as well as emotional maturity. Assessments help us establish a child's areas of strength. In the Infant and Toddler classes, this is done when a child attains a particular skill. In the Preschool and Pre-K classes, these assessments are performed twice, once at the start of the school year in September, and then again in April, to chart the child's progress.

May 30th and 31st are set aside as **Parent-Teacher Conference Days**, where your child's teacher will be discussing your child's strengths, weaknesses and areas to focus on. We encourage parents to sign up for this **20 minute conference between 3:30-6:30 pm.**

Kidventure Junior Camp

We are working extra hard to plan a terrific summer just for you! We will be conducting a **Kidventure Junior Camp**, tailored specially for the **Pre-K and Senior Pre-School** classes. We have planned a ton of new and fun activities to ensure that Camp Willow Bend always remains your "Ultimate Summer Destination".

We will continue with the **curriculum**, with a focus on reviewing the concepts learned during the past school year, as well as some new and exciting themes.

Our summer theme of **"Road Trip USA"** will virtually take us all over the country, as we learn about the 50 states, their festivals and customs, special foods and interesting landmarks. We have also planned several fun activities for the summer such as **splash days & water slides, picnics & parties, hobby clubs & cooking**, and much more!



TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

May 7th through May 11th is Teacher Appreciation Week.

*"Just as it takes a single spark to light a fire,
a teacher can provide the spark that lights a lifetime of learning."*

To acknowledge the efforts and energy that teachers put into their work with our children, we have planned **special treats** for the teachers for the whole week. So please do not hesitate to show our teachers your appreciation with a simple thank you or a special gesture. Look for the flyer in your child's work folder...

A Very Happy Birthday to...

APRIL: Ms Gloria, 4/5; Ms Sohelia, 4/30; Victoria V, 4/3; Tyler G, 4/4.

MAY: Ms Maria, 5/18; Emily J, 5/2; Zuri G, 5/3; Asher B, 5/5; John J, 5/8; Chamblin P, 5/16; Dexter R, 5/17; Avery R, 5/17; Faith R, 5/18; Aidan H, 5/19; Aidan R, 5/20; Bridget B, 5/30.