



Loving Hands Preschool  
May Newsletter 2021

Wow!!! It is hard to believe that it is May!!! What an exciting year this has been! I have been reflecting a lot lately on what last year was like at this time, and how we had no idea what this year had in store when we reopened back in the fall. I have to say... it has been amazing! You have all been amazing & understanding! We have a month crammed full of fun events, and we couldn't be more excited about it!



Our **Mother's Day Celebrations** will be on Wednesday, May 5 & Thursday, May 6. There will be no school on EITHER of these days for ALL students. This year, we will perform our songs ahead of time, and post them that morning on our FB page, just like we did for Dogs with Dad. This will help to eliminate the mixing of groups. This is our first indoor event, so we want to use extra caution. The doors will open at 9:50 (or 12:20), to give us time to prepare. You and your child can make their way to the Fellowship Hall (Muscle Room) when you arrive.

- Wednesday, May 5 at 10:00am (Orange MWam, Green AM and Purple Rooms) for brunch.
- On Wednesday, May 5 at 12:30, we will host our Orange Room MW pm and Green PM for lunch
- Thursday, May 6 at 10:00am (Orange TTHam, Blue and Yellow Room AM) for brunch.
- On Thursday, May 6 at 12:30, we will host our Orange TTHpm and Yellow Rooms for lunch.



The letters have been mailed and we are excited to get the treasure box out as the donations have started flooding in! We have already raised over \$13,000 (This is already more than we have EVER raised)!! The **Trike-a-Thon** will look a little different this year. We will divide it up into 4 events (RAIN OR SHINE), which will cause our class time to be shortened on our trike a thon day (early dismissal at 10:30 for AM/Full Day classes & late start at 1:30 for PM classes, with regular dismissal time for PM classes). They will be held at:

- 10:30 on Monday, May 10 (Blue Room, Orange Room MW AM and Green Room AM).  
AM STUDENTS: Students will be picked up from class at 10:30 and then can proceed to the parking lot for the event. AM families, participating in the Trike a Thon, will meet at the parking lot once they have picked up their child from preschool. The Trike a Thon will begin with a warm up and announcements. Please do not allow your child to begin riding until we have had time to warm up. AM students, not participating, should be picked up at 10:30. An adult must be with your child at all times during the Trike a Thon.
- On Monday at 12:30, the Orange MWpm and the Green Room PM classes will begin their event.  
PM STUDENTS will arrive at their normal class time, and we will begin the event at 12:30. PM children wishing to participate should arrive at school by 12:30. At the conclusion of the Trike a Thon, they will begin class. PM students, not participating, should arrive for class at 1:30.
- On Tuesday, May 11 (Purple Room, Yellow Room, and Orange Room TTh) will have their trike a thon. Times and procedures are the same as above for AM and PM times.

Full Day students will only dismiss early on their trike a thon day. The opposite day is a normal day for them. The half day students will only have early dismissal on their trike a thon day. On Monday, Half Day Purple Room students will be dismissed from the side gravel lot.

Children MUST have a helmet on to participate in the Trike a Thon. We encourage families to create signs to cheer on your child as they ride around the track!! All preschool children will earn a medal for participating!



**Our last classroom days** for the 2020-21 school year will be on Monday, May 17 for our Green Room and MW3's and Tuesday, May 18 for our Yellow Room, TTH 3's, Blue Room and Purple Room.

We are sad to see so many of our friends moving on to Kindergarten in the fall!! And excited to see some of our friends returning for Transitional-K next year! We will celebrate all of their accomplishments at our Pre-K and T-K graduations:

- This year, our **Blue Room and Purple Room Transitional-K** classes will celebrate **graduation** on Tuesday, May 18 at 6:00. Your child may be brought to the muscle room at 5:50 (please make sure to stop off at the potty before leaving your house. We don't want anyone to have to take a potty break during the ceremony!). The ceremony will be in the Sanctuary. Unfortunately this year, we will not be able to have the ice cream social to follow, but are looking forward to being able to have the ceremony! At the conclusion of the ceremony, everyone may exit the building from the sanctuary exit, leaving one person to pick up the child at the muscle room, so they can receive their portfolio and gift before they head off to Kindergarten! Please turn in your RSVP form to the Preschool office paperwork basket by Monday, May 10 (coming home soon!!) We are still working on logistics to see if we need to limit the number of attendees for each child for this evening.
- Our **Green and Yellow Room Pre-K** classes will celebrate **graduation** on Wednesday, May 19 at 10:00am for AM classes and 12:00pm for PM classes. Your child may be brought to the muscle room at 9:50/11:50 (please make sure they use the potty before coming to school. We don't want anyone to have to take a potty break during the ceremony!). The ceremony will be in the Sanctuary. Unfortunately we won't be able to have a cake reception afterwards this year, but are excited to get to be able to do the ceremony! Please turn in your RSVP form to the Preschool office paperwork basket by Tuesday, May 11 (coming home soon!!).

Our **Orange Room 3's** classes will celebrate the end of the year with **popsicles on the playground** on Thursday, May 20, from 10:00-12:00. We will have Mike Salvino, a balloon maker & magician there to celebrate with us. He has joined us for the last 8 school years. Occasionally there is an accidental popped balloon, but the kids have always really enjoyed him!! The celebration will be outside in the pavilion/playground (weather permitting... it will be in the muscle room if needed). RSVP for this event by Tuesday, May 11 (invites coming home soon!). This is a great way to say goodbye to our friends for the summer and meet new friends (and teachers!!) who may be in our class next year!! We will break up the times that everyone gets their frozen treats by class to allow for a smaller number of people in the pavilion.

We will have:

- MWam at 10:00,
- TTHam at 10:30,
- MWpm at 11:00
- TTHpm at 11:30

Families are welcome to come/stay for the duration of 10:00-12:00, or you can come for your assigned time, whichever you feel most comfortable with. There will be lots of space and stations set up!



- 1: Happy Birthday Kennedy S & Grayson M
- 3: Happy Birthday Miss Shannon M
- 5: NO PRESCHOOL FOR ALL CLASSES
- 5: Mother's Day Brunch 10:00 (MWam, Green AM, Purple)
- 5: Mother's Day Lunch 12:30 (MWpm, Green PM)
- 5: Happy Birthday Jameson M
- 6: NO PRESCHOOL FOR ALL CLASSES
- 6: Mother's Day Brunch 10:00 (TTHam, Yellow AM, Blue)
- 6: Mother's Day Lunch 12:30 (TTHpm, Yellow PM)
- 8: Happy Birthday Gianna B & Tristan P
- 9: Happy Mother's Day
- 10: Trike a Thon 10:30 for MWam, Green AM, Blue
- 10: Trike a Thon 12:30 for MWpm, Green PM
- 10: Happy Birthday Logan G
- 11: Trike a Thon 10:30 for TTHam, Yellow AM, Purple
- 12: Trike a Thon 12:30 for TTHpm, Yellow PM
- 13: Happy Birthday Mac S
- 14: Happy Birthday Maisey D
- 17: Last Day of Class for Orange MW, Green Rooms
- 17: Happy Birthday Miss Terri
- 18: Last Day of Class for Orange TTH, Yellow, Purple and Blue Rooms
- 18: Transitional Kindergarten (Purple and Blue) Graduation 6:00 (doors will open 10 minutes prior)
- 18: Happy Birthday Eli B
- 19: Pre-Kindergarten (Yellow AM and Green AM) Graduation 10:00 (doors will open 10 minutes prior)
- 19: Pre-Kindergarten (Yellow PM and Green PM) Graduation 12:00 (doors will open 10 minutes prior)
- 20: Preschool 3's "Popsicles on the Playground" 10:00-12:00 (see above for more info)
- 22: Happy Birthday Mackenzie K
- 26: Happy Birthday Kaiden M
- 31: Memorial Day

Preschool 3's- Orange Room  
Miss Terri & Miss Shannon B

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April was filled with lots of exploring and fun! We have been loving all the outside time: playing on our playground, chasing around some HUMONGOUS bubbles, and having our snack picnic style! Shout out to everyone who came to Dog's with Dads — we had a blast! Even though it was slightly different this year, a great time was had by all.

Even though there are only a few school days in May, there is still lots of fun and learning to be had. This month we will be having our Mother's Day Tea as well as the Trike-a-Thon. These are both such fun events — we look forward to seeing you there!

Pre-Kindergarten MWF- Green Room

Miss Libby & Miss Carolyn

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May is here...and always a bittersweet time! We are excited for the kids to begin new adventures next year but will miss each of them so much! This month, we are working on blending all the letter sounds together to form words. The kids have been practicing writing simple sentences to discover left-to-right orientation and grouping of letters into words. With the summer Olympics approaching, we are going to discover lots of Olympic ideas and facts together. From learning about different countries to the various sports and traditions, this is sure to be fun for all! We hope to have our own Olympic Day where we will all be Team USA and compete for gold medals! May brings our very special Mothers Day Tea, Trike-A-Thon, and Graduation. Thank you for all you do!

Pre-Kindergarten TTHF- Yellow Room

Miss Kate & Miss Tina

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Did someone say May?!? How did that happen so fast?! I cannot believe we are preparing for the end of our school year! It feels like just weeks ago Miss Tina and I were welcoming your child into the Yellow Room for the first time! The saying time flies when you are having fun truly applies here. This past month everyone worked so hard learning addresses and phone numbers. We will continue these items through the end of the year. Additionally, we have had a blast learning about the lifecycle of butterflies as we watched them grow and change!

This last month is a short one, but jam packed with activities! We have Mother's Day Tea, Trike-a-thon, and Graduation all within a few days of each other. Be sure to check the calendar and Google Classroom updates for dates and times. This month there will be no set lesson plan. We are going to read some of Miss Tina's and my favorite stories and do activities based on where our conversations and interests lead us. Hold on tight! If the entire school year went this fast, May will certainly fly by too!

Transitional Kindergarten (Half Day)-Purple Room

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Wow! Our last month in the Purple Room. Believe me, when I say that it will fly by, too! We have so much fun planned for May that almost every week we have an exciting activity happening. We will jump off May the right way by celebrating our Moms at the Mother's Day Tea on Wednesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>. Then our annual Trike-a-thon on Tuesday the 11<sup>th</sup> and ending with our TK Graduation on the 18<sup>th</sup>! The rest of the month we will be dedicating our classroom to the beach and ocean! Our beach theme is a great segue into summer and helping to finish up our school year. Our dramatic play area will have a kiddie pool filled with sand, so the kids can relax and enjoy dipping their toes in the sand. They can spend their last days in TK, stress free and not worrying about what new adventures Kindergarten will bring. On Thursday, the 13<sup>th</sup> of May, we will be having our own Beach Day! Students can wear their swimsuits, along with cover ups, to school and bring their favorite beach towel. Boys must be wearing shirts along with their swim shorts and girls must have a full cover up of their choice or clothes over their suit. The entire day will be dedicated to beach games, hanging outside in the sun and viewing one of the most recognizable beach movies we know, Moana. Our last day of class will be Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, followed by our Graduation ceremony that evening. We are excited to soak up every minute we can with our Purple Room family before we say our goodbyes!

Transitional Kindergarten (Full Day)- Blue Room

Miss Jessica & Miss Mary Ellen

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Can't believe the last month of school is here! We couldn't be more blessed to have had the privilege of getting to spend this year with all of you and your families. I'm glad we were able to have a great year with all the changes that we had going on this year. For the month of May we have so much fun stuff going on.

On May 6<sup>th</sup> will be our Mother's Day Tea. Information will be coming soon.

On May 10<sup>th</sup> will be our annual Trike a Thon. The day of the Trike a Thon you may bring your child's bike and helmet to school when you drop your child off in the morning or when you come for the event.. We will have early dismissal that day so when the Trike a Thon is over we will NOT return to class.

Our graduation will take place on May 18<sup>th</sup>. Information will be coming home soon.. May 18<sup>th</sup> will also be our last day of class. 😊

For the last month of school, we will be talking about Sea Creatures, the beach and getting ready for kindergarten. We can't wait to make these last few weeks of school the best yet! So many fun memories to be made still!!!!

