Southborough Village Preschool April & May 2025 Newsletter

Spring is in the Air: Well, maybe not the temperature yet, but we see the signs and we're excited for it! The milder weather will certainly mean more outdoor fun for us at SVP, but we also have a lot of exciting things coming up in the classrooms as well. Please be sure to pay close attention to the school calendar dates at the end of the newsletter, including information for our end-of-the-year Family Celebrations. Let us know if you have any questions at all.

Pre-K Student Questionnaires: If your child will be going to kindergarten in the Fall, in Southborough or Northborough, we are required to fill out and send a brief questionnaire, to assist with their placement. Additionally, the schools also ask that you, the parents, fill out a similar questionnaire. For your convenience, they have provided us with the parent questionnaires to distribute to you at SVP. We will have these available this week, during pick-up or drop-off. You are asked to bring these questionnaires with you when you bring your child in for his/her kindergarten screening. We've been told that screenings at the Mary Finn School will begin in early May. Call your child's elementary school if you have questions regarding kindergarten registration.

End of the Year Family Celebrations: We are excited to be able to invite you to our end-of-the-year Family Celebrations this year. Each class will be hosting a Family Celebration on their last day of school. The MWF classes will be inviting you to a celebration on Monday, June 2nd and the T/Th classes will be inviting you to a celebration on Tuesday, June 3rd. Each celebration will last approximately 30-45 minutes and will be held primarily outdoors. In order to make the Family Celebration a special event for your child, please consider making alternative arrangement for siblings. See the invitation below for more details regarding your child's Family Celebration.

Tuition Payments Due: At this time, all final tuition payments, as well as Early Drop-off and Afterschool Care fees are due. Please see Laura Eppen if you have questions regarding payments.

Registration Changes: If you're considering making any changes to your child's placement for next year, do reach out to us at this time. Availability is limited, with only a few spots remaining.

Parking Lot Safety Reminder: As we begin to enjoy more pleasant spring days, it's not uncommon for families to linger a bit longer at drop-off or pick-up. Please take care to keep your child right by your side as you come to school and after we release them to you at the gate or door. We ask that you don't allow them to run around the gardens, or walkways or parking lot and be sure to hold their hand while walking to and from your car as there are so many vehicles pulling in and out during this busy time. We thank you for your help as we work to keep our students safe.

SVP Book Nook: We've really been enjoying watching the kids browse at the Book Nook before and after school! As a reminder, all of the books are there for the taking, so please stop by and take as many as you or your little ones would like. Feel free to donate books that you are done with as well. We're so happy to see our families enjoying this fun community opportunity. Please spread the word to friends and family who might also be interested.

Summer Fun Program: This year, we are excited to be able to offer another fun SVP tradition, Summer Fun Days! This is a completely optional program that you are welcome to sign your child up for, beginning on Monday, May 12th. During these few days, we celebrate the arrival of summer with fun activities and outdoor play.

- Summer Fun days will be held on Wednesday, 6/4, Thursday, 6/5 and Friday, 6/6, from 9:00 AM-1:00 PM.
- Please send your child with a nut-free lunch, water bottle and a bathing suit, towel, hat and water shoes for water play.
- The fee for the Summer Fun Program is \$50.00 per day. Siblings will receive a 50% discount for the second child.
- Students will have the opportunity to move between the classrooms as they feel comfortable.
- Registration for Summer Fun Days will begin on **Monday**, **May 12th**. Sign-up sheets will be available at the front door, or feel free to give us a call or message us on ProCare (beginning on May 12th) and we can sign your child up for you.
- We ask that initially you only sign your child up for days that he/she normally attends school, but the following week on Monday, May 19th, you can register your child for any additional available Summer Fun dates.

Be sure to let us know if you have any questions at all, we are always happy to help!

Sincerely,

Laura, Gretchen and the Entire Staff at SVP

Important Dates for the Remainder of the Year:

April 18th **through April 25**th: School will be closed for April Vacation (including Good Friday, April 18th (following the Northborough/Southborough Public Schools calendar).

May 7th: Alphabet Feasts for the older classes (Students only-stay tuned for details!)

May 9th: Kindergarten Expert Panels (Students only-stay tuned for details)

May 15th and 16th: SVP Farm Days (Stay tuned for details)

May 26th: School closed for Memorial Day

May 29th and 30th: SVP Beach Days (Stay tuned for details)

May 30th: All final payments due for Summer Fun Days and Playschool/Early Drop-off

June 2nd: Family Celebrations AND Last Days of School for M/W/F Classes

June 3rd: Family Celebrations AND Last Days of School for T/Th Classes

June 4th, 5th and 6th: Optional Summer Fun Extension Days (Stay tuned for details)

Family Celebrations at SVP!

The annual end of the year Family Celebrations are a lot of fun at Southborough Village Preschool! The children have been working on some special songs for you and we know you will love to see how much they have learned and grown this year. During your child's Family Celebration, your children will also be serving you a special snack as well as cool refreshments, for your enjoyment. This is also the day that you will receive your child's special year-end portfolio or journal. Below, you will find a few important things for you to know about your Family Celebrations as well as the class schedule. Be sure to let us know if you have any questions regarding the Celebrations.

- Family Celebrations will be held on the last regular days of school, on <u>Monday, June 2^{nd} and Tuesday, June 3^{rd} .</u>
- Please be sure to RSVP to your child's teacher, before the Celebration. It is very important that each child have a parent or parents attend their Family Celebration. In the case that neither parent can attend, we ask that you send another special person to attend in your place (grandparent, aunt or uncle, etc.). Please be sure to let your child's teacher know if you will be attending the Family Celebration or if someone else will.
- <u>Please arrive on time</u>. We stagger the Family Celebration times so that there is only one Celebration going on at the school at a time. Because of this, we ask that you be prompt. We will need to be sure to start right on time, in order to keep to our tight schedule. Thank you!
- In order to make the Family Celebration a special event for your child, please consider making alternative arrangements for young siblings, (unless you have a newborn, of course!).

We thank you and look forward to having you attend our Family Celebrations! Please see the Family Celebration schedule below, to find out what time your Celebration will be and let us know if you have any questions at all.

Sincerely Yours,

Gretchen, Laura and the Entire Staff at SVP

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Family Celebration Schedule

Monday, June 2nd:

9:15-10:00 Ms. Michele and Ms. Jenn's Full Day Class

10:15-11:00 Ms. Gretchen, Ms. Angíe and Ms. Kathryn's Full Day Class

11:00-11:30 Ms. Laura and Ms. Linnea's MWF Toddler Class (at the Toddler House)

11:15-11:45 Ms. Kara, Ms. Ruth and Ms. Linnea's Classes *AM and PM Classes combined

Tuesday, June 3rd:

9:15-10:00 Ms. Michele and Ms. Ruth's Class

10:15-11:00 Ms. Lindsey, Ms. Michelle and Ms. Angie's Full Day Class

11:00-11:30 Ms. Laura and Ms. Linnea's TTh Toddler Class (at the Toddler House)

11:15-11:45 Ms. Kara and Ms. Nina's Classes. *AM and PM Classes combined

^{*} These are regular, full school days. If your child will be staying at school after your Family Celebration, we recommend you have a conversation with him/her to let them know that you are leaving but you will be back to pick them up, as this can be a bit confusing for little ones.

^{*}If your child attends both a M/W/F Class as well as T/Th Class, please plan to attend both of their Celebrations. We request to have at least one guest per child at each Celebration.