

April 2018

Wellshire Parents Day Out



Happy

April Birthdays

Adeline Newby

Knox Kite

Shea O'Malley

Madeline Giuffra

Thayer Simpson

Kai Simpson

Charlie Schabacher

Victoria Montoya

Asher Surroz

Caroline Downes

Desmond Bartholomy

Sam Wiechecki

Kora Traeger

Camden Smith

Sadie Helffenstein

Olivia Mauro

Peyton Smith

Ellie Price

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APRIL FLOWERS

The arrival of spring and the month of April have many classes focused on spring showers and flowers. Other themes that may be explored in the classroom are ocean and pond life. The colors for the month are blue and green. **Spring parties** are held April 23-27. Please check the class party sheet for parent sign ups.

FYI! Wellshire PDO's **Song Fest** for this school year is cancelled due to renovations the church is making in the main sanctuary.

APRIL-CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

Colorado Children are our Most Precious Resource.

April is **National Child Abuse Prevention Month**, which recognizes the importance of families and communities working together to prevent child abuse and neglect. Communities across the state are working together to raise awareness. We can work together to build thriving communities that support healthy kids and strong families by:

- ◆ Being strong in the face of stress
- ◆ Nurturing caring friendships
- ◆ Growing knowledge of parenting and child development
- ◆ Asking for support when needed
- ◆ Helping children manage feelings and relationships

Everyone plays a role in the prevention of child abuse and neglect. At PDO, all the teachers and staff are Mandated Reporters, meaning we are required by law to make reports of child abuse and/or neglect. PDO is licensed by the Colorado Department of Early Childhood and all staff members are required to take yearly training in Child Abuse and Neglect and certified reporter training.

If you suspect child abuse or neglect in your community or need help, call the **Colorado Child Abuse and Neglect Hotline, 1-844-CO-4-KIDS**. All callers are able to speak with a call-taker 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, and all calls remain confidential. To learn more, visit www.co4kids.org





APRIL SNACKS

April 2-6	PDO Mix (Goldfish, Cheerios,, Kix, Raisins) and Water
April 9-13	Oyster Crackers, Apples and Water
April 16-20	Vegie Straws, Pineapple and Water
April 23-27	Spring Parties, Parents provide snacks

PDO Calendar

April 6	Picture Orders Due
April 23-27	Spring Parties
May 14-18	<u>No Song Fest</u>
May 21-25	Riding Toy Day, Pizza Party Last Week of PDO

Playground Safety

The days are getting warmer. Please send hats (labeled with your child's name) and don't forget the sunscreen!

Closed toed shoes allow more comfort for your child on the playground and allow more time for fun.

Parenting Safe Children

Saturday, May 5, 2018
9:30am- 1:30pm

Wellshire Church is co-hosting this special workshop on May 5. **Parenting Safe Children** focuses on teaching adults how to protect children from sexual abuse, taking the burden off of kids to protect themselves. Ideal workshop for parents, relatives, teachers, therapists...anyone who cares about children!

COST & REGISTRATION:

\$53.75/person in advance (materials included) Register on line,

www.parentingsafchildren.com

Contact Kendal Mullins, 303-758-2233 x115 for more information.

Thank You

Teddy Bear **Jasper Hurst** is 2 years old! Happy Birthday Jasper and thanks for the Dr. Seuss book you gave the class to celebrate your big day.

Teddy Bear **Ford Finke** is 2 years old! Thanks, Ford for the fancy flashlight you gave the class in honor of your special day. Happy Birthday!

Crocodile **Cosette Strassburger** is 4 years old! Thanks, Cosette for the magic wands and tiaras you gave the class to celebrate your Happy Birthday!

Thank you Bunny **Maisie Smits** for the play mat map you gave PDO. We love driving our cars on it!

Thank you Dolphin **Victoria Judkins** for Noah's Ark and animals. The Bunny class is enjoying it!

Thanks you PDO alumni **Ruth Herrlinger** for making slime for the Crocodile class. Crocodiles and green slime go together quite well!

Congratulations

Bunny **Maddie Simpson** is now a big sister! Welcome baby brother Jack and best wishes to all!