

#### Month-At-A-Glance

#### **March**

- 1st April tuition due
- **10th** Daylight Savings
- 13th 7:00 pm General Membership Meeting
- 14th Fire Station Field Trip: 10AM at Station 3 (7 Mile and Gill) - NO 3 YEAR CLASSES



#### Pay Tuition Using Zelle!

We now accept Zelle as a payment option. Zelle deposits instantly. (NO MORE LATE FEES!!)

Please use the email address <a href="mailto:treasurer@garfieldpreschool.com">treasurer@garfieldpreschool.com</a>

Make sure you add your child's name and class in the memo area.

If you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to reach out to Chrissy Holtquist treasurer@garfieldpreschool.com



#### Note from Mrs. B

I can hardly believe that we are already in March! That means Spring is right around the corner and there are many great things planned for the coming weeks. **March is Reading Month** and we will be celebrating how fun it is to get lost in a good book. We will read classics like Dr. Seuss and other favorites all month long. We will be looking closer at the parts of books, identify author, illustrator, and discuss the characters in these fun stories.

In the 4 year class we will continue to work on letter of the week and meet new zoo phonics letter friends, build on our sight word practice lists, and read sight word readers. Daily name writing practice will begin in 3 year class and continue in 4 year classes. The kids in 3 year class are really enjoying letter of the week and building letters with blocks to support letter recognition.

In science we will explore our senses in 3 year class and explore the human body in 4 year classes. Math concepts such as patterns, shapes, counting skills will continue within calendar and circle times across all classes. We will also work on simple graphing skills during whole and small group time. A reading month activities packet will be placed in everyone's mailbox the first week of March. We will be having a listening library, book raffle, invite a guest reader in all classes, and much more!

Laugh, Love, Learn

#### Note from the President-

As Spring is right upon us we start looking forward to getting all of the things in place for the end of the school year: **Graduation, Mother's Day Tea and the End of Year Picnic!** Our last Membership meeting will be in the gym on March 13th, I look forward to seeing everyone there. The Membership meeting is a mandatory meeting for the 3 year and 4 year families and we would love to see any of the Toddler families as there is a lot of good information that is given out. We will be voting on the 2019-20 Board Members, so if you are interested in any of the positions, please contact me immediately.

Enrollment for next school year has begun, our first **Open House will be March 25th and one on April 29th**. You are able to enroll online for next year on our website www.garfieldpreschool.com or by contacting Mrs. B at <a href="mailto:mrs.b@garfieldpreschool.com">mrs.b@garfieldpreschool.com</a> or <a href="mailto:membership@garfieldpreschool.com">membership@garfieldpreschool.com</a>.

As always, feel free to contact me or any board member if you have any questions or concerns.

March is Reading Month!



#### Note from the Treasurer-

Treasurer's Report By: Chrissy Holtquist

#### Payment Reminder

- Separate payments (e.g. field trip fee, tuition, etc.) should be paid with separate checks or money orders.
- Fundraising payments should be placed in the fundraising mailbox.
- Please include your child's name and what the payment is for on the memo line (e.g. Jane Smith Picnic).
- All fundraising requirements should be paid in full by the end of the Year End Picnic by
  means of the Tin Can Raffle. If you're uncertain of the status of your fundraising
  requirement, please contact Amanda Paulson at <a href="mailto:fundraising@garfieldpreschool.com">fundraising@garfieldpreschool.com</a>.
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#### **Tuition Reminder**

- At this time, tuition should be paid for the month of April.
- If you're uncertain of the status of your account, please contact Chrissy Holtquist at treasurer@garfieldpreschool.com.

#### Reimbursement Reminder

- Please complete and attach a reimbursement form to all corresponding receipts submit for reimbursement. A reimbursement check cannot be issued until all proper paperwork is submitted.
- Garfield Preschool is a tax-exempt organization, so any reimbursements will not include sales tax. Please obtain the proper tax-exempt paperwork from a board member prior to purchasing items for the school.
- There are blank reimbursement forms in the file folder below the parent board in the classroom or one can be sent electronically by submitting a request to treasurer@garfieldpreschool.com.

#### **Bank Balances**

Current checking account balance: \$21,849.61 Current savings account balance: \$15,029.74



#### Note from the Health and Records -

#### March is National Nutrition Month: Go Further with Food

In the month of March, we celebrate **National Nutrition Month**. This year's theme is Go Further with Food, whether that means making sure to eat breakfast or eating the right foods to fuel you during an athletic event. Here are a few tips from <a href="www.eatright.org">www.eatright.org</a> on how to raise healthy eaters:

- Serve regular, balanced meals and snacks with a variety of nutrient-rich foods.
- Provide calm, pleasant meal times where adults and children can talk together.
- Allow children to use their internal signals to decide how much and what to eat.
- Explore a variety of flavors and foods from different cultures and cuisines.
- Share an appreciation for healthful food, lovingly prepared and shared with others.
- Make simple food safety, such as washing hands, part of every eating occasion.
- Teach basic skills for making positive food choices away from home.
- Find credible food and nutrition resources when you don't know the answer.

Find these tips and plenty of articles on topics such as how to get your preschooler gardening and cooking, at <a href="https://www.eatright.org">www.eatright.org</a>.

- Marisa Benke

#### \*Reminder\*

Be sure to email Marisa at <a href="mailto:healthrecords@garfieldpreschool.com">healthrecords@garfieldpreschool.com</a> if your child is sick and is staying home from school. State law mandates that all illness be reported to the Wayne County Department of Community Health. Please include your child's name, the date, and the reason for your child's absence. Thank you!



#### Note from the Fundraising Chair-

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Yankee candle fundraiser! It ended February 28th. All orders are due no later than Tuesday, March 5th.

-Amanda Paulson

#### Note from the Membership Chair-

March is here and open enrollment is available to the public! We are very happy to see many of our current families returning for the new school year and we encourage you to spread the word to other families that may be looking for a preschool.

Garfield participates in the Preschool fair which is hosted by the Livonia Civic Center Library and later this month we will be having our first open house on Monday March 25th from 6-7:30 pm. We encourage all families to ask any questions they may have when deciding to join a cooperative preschool.

We appreciate everyone's participation in the school and we look forward to another great school year!

# Preschool Registration NOW OPEN



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