



Happy Spring to all our Wee Know families!

We're excited to welcome warmer weather and the opportunity to enjoy our vast playground and boardwalk areas. The many changes in nature opens the door to endless discoveries for the children. School and community activities this month include our sponsorship of the Nixon Park Easter Egg Hunt, "Week of the Young Child" celebration, and participation in Culver's "Give Back Night", where our Wee Know teachers will serve dinner to your family! Plans are underway to begin construction of our "Outdoor Classroom" later this month. This project is made possible thanks to your participation in our fall fundraiser. Soon, we will have the plan for this new area available for your viewing. Lastly, a Parent Survey will be distributed to all families at the end of the month. Please take a few minutes to complete it, as we appreciate your input!

**NIXON PARK EASTER EGG HUNT**

Mark your calendar for Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 10:30AM SHARP! You don't want to miss the annual Easter Egg Hunt at Nixon Park in Hartland sponsored by Wee Know School and Piggly Wiggly. Children up to 9 years may participate, and will be divided into three groups to promote fairness. We will fill 5000 plastic eggs with wrapped candy for the hunt, in addition to giving out 15 special Easter Gift Baskets to children finding an egg with a "golden sticker"! We look forward to seeing your family at this fun event! It will be held rain, snow, or shine.



**"WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD" APRIL 24-28, 2017**

*P.L.A.Y-Purposeful Learning Applied to Youngsters*

"Week of the Young Child" is a nationally recognized week set aside to celebrate young children and to bring issues about their care and education into the public spotlight. It is a time to show support for teachers and other professionals who provide programs and services for children. We also want to create opportunities to educate others in our communities about the responsibility in ensuring a healthy future for our children and our nation. We are planning a fun week of activities built around the importance of play. Here's a preview of some of our activities.

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Music Monday</b>	Instruments & Singing
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Movement Tuesday</b>	"Get Out & Play" 10-11am
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Work Together Wednesday</b>	S.T.E.M. - Box Building in the gym
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Artsy Thursday</b>	Marble/Ball painting in the gym & Rainbow popcorn
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Fabulous Friday</b>	Dental Visit

**CULVER'S COMMUNITY GIVE BACK NIGHT**

Take a night off from cooking and join the Wee Know Staff for some food and fun at Culvers in Hartland. Our staff will serve you in the restaurant and drive-thru on Monday, April 24<sup>th</sup> from 5 to 8PM. Wee Know will earn a percentage of the proceeds from this night. We hope to see you there!

**CHICK EGGS ARRIVING**

We will continue our annual tradition of caring for chick eggs from a local farm until they hatch. Mrs. Fanello, one of our Canary teachers, plans this unique experience each year, and we are very appreciative. The eggs will arrive on April 19<sup>th</sup>. We will have an incubator set up on the west wall of our gym to hold the eggs until they hatch around May 10<sup>th</sup>. The children thoroughly enjoy watching each day to see if anything has changed. Be sure to take a peek with your child at drop off or pick up time when they are here.

**CHICKADEE NEWS**

from Mrs. Meyer & Mrs. Semler



March began with a birthday celebration for Dr. Seuss. Despite all the excitement there was loads of learning. We cooked our own green eggs & ham, counted apples on top, and transformed into cats in hats. We then learned how to sequence the colors of a rainbow and that it takes rain and sun to make a *real* rainbow. We used different mediums to create and sequence the colors of rainbows including paint, noodles, snow and pipe cleaners!

**April Concepts**

**Shape:** oval      **Color:** orange & white      **Numbers:** 5 & 6      **Letters:** V, W, X

We will begin the month of April decorating our room to welcome spring! We will read books about chicks and one of our favorites, Max's Chocolate Chicken. The last two weeks we will start our broad topic of animals. We will identify animals that live on the farm, can live in the zoo or make great pets. If anyone has any fun pets they would like to share with our class, please see a teacher!

**Baby pictures needed by April 21<sup>st</sup>**. We will work on a project for the end of the year that requires a baby picture of your child. **Note:** pictures should be (3 x 5) or (4 x 6) and will be mounted & possibly cut to fit.



**CONFERENCES**

Conferences for the Chickadee class will be held on May 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. Sign-up sheets for conferences will be next to the Chickadee classroom door beginning Monday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. Conferences last about 15 minutes and are **optional**. We will provide a written evaluation for all children, whether or not a parent elects to attend a conference. It helps to have questions or concerns prepared in advance. Being prompt helps the process run smoothly. Please remember that social and emotional development is the most important part of preschool success at this age. Achieving self-confidence and independence enables a child to try new things and enter new environments without hesitation. Please see a teacher, if you need a special time or date.

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**May 1-4** Free Vision Screening will be held at Wee Know. More information will be send home later this month.



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<b>Welcome Spring!</b> 	Snack: Aimee	Snack: Jonah	<b>Cooking Day</b>	Snack: Jameson	School snack	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
<b>Teacher's Choice</b> 	School snack	School snack	School snack	School snack	School snack	<b>Easter Egg Hunt</b> at Nixon Park 10:30am <del>(SHARP)</del>
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
 <b>Farm &amp; Zoo Animals</b>	School snack	Snack: Jordan	<b>Chick Eggs Arrive</b>  Brady Birthday Snack	 Happy Birthday Brady! Kate Birthday Snack	Baby Pictures Due! Happy Birthday Kate! Snack: Owen D	 Happy Earth Day
23/30	24	25	26	27	28	29
<b>Pets</b>  "Week of the Young Child"	<b>Music Monday</b> <i>Culvers</i> Give Back Night 5-8pm Snack: Owen W	<b>"Get Out &amp; Play" 10-11am</b>  Snack: Tristan	<b>Box Building in gym</b>  Aubrey Birthday Snack	<b>Marble/Ball painting in gym</b>  <b>Cooking Day</b>	<b>Dental Visit</b>  Snack: Elizabeth	Happy Birthday Aubrey! 