

Around the Ark

"Gobble", "Gobble" means Spring????

It's April! It's Spring! It's warm! It's cool! It's snowing! We're not complaining. It's Nevada.

Noah's Ark is celebrating the birth of spring and all of the baby animals that come with the season. We have "multicultural" turkey eggs in the incubator in the office scheduled to begin hatching before Easter. Tiffany is in charge of their hatching. The children love watching and learning at all the different stages. Be sure and take a moment to see the progress of our babies! They take between 25-31 days from the start. Watch for the posted due date!

April is farm month in keeping with spring and baby turkeys, and it's a favorite among the children. Can we hear them in their shell? How do the turkeys get out of the egg? Can they see? When do they start to gobble? Why do they look like chicks? These are all questions that we expect to answer for the children over the next few weeks. On beautiful sunny days the children are walking

the neighborhood looking for signs of spring. Flowers, blue birds and sweaters instead of jackets are a dead give away that summer is just around the corner. Our country of the month is France and our artist is Georges Seurat, the painter. Our colors are pastels, our shape is oval for the eggs and the numbers are 1-10. Hard, soft, top, bottom and up and down are the monthly concepts.

Happy Spring!

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Special points of interest:

- Our Summer Program starts Monday, June 12.
- All registration forms for Summer and Fall are due ASAP!
- Registration for Kindergarten and First Grade is happening NOW!
- Our NEON Summer program is now open to children who have completed kindergarten. Sign up now! Space is limited.



April Fun Fridays

Friday, April 7

Eggs are Exciting! Friday, April 14

Our Easter Breakfast!.

Friday, April 21

Hooray for Earth Day!

Friday, April 28

Let's learn about France.

Napmats

a nap or a rest. Each child has their own and they are sent home at the end of the week to be washed and returned. Please be sure that your child has his/her own napmat. Napmats are available in the office for \$35.00. Please do not send sleeping bags, blankets or pillows as the health Department does not allow them and they are cumbersome.



Napmats are required if your child is at Noah's Ark full day and required to take

Kindergarten Registration

If your child will be 5 by the end of September, he/she is eligible for kindergarten and will need to be registered. Children must meet the age requirement for entrance. Kindergarten registration started early and it begins with online registration. Go to the Washoe County School District

site and click on the Parent Portal to register your child in the district. Once the online registration is complete you still need to go to the child's school to register them. You will need to bring all pertinent emergency information plus your child's birth certificate and a shot record to complete registration paperwork and proof of residency.

If you are applying for a variance for kindergarten at any of the elementary schools you should call the school and talk with the secretary or principal to find out the process as all of the schools are different. You need only to get your name on a list and you will be notified shortly before school starts.. Variances are at the discretion of the individual principals at each school. If you apply

> for a variance you still need to register at your child's zoned

school.



Fall Registration for kndg-5th Grade

Registration forms are in the parent files for all of our current school-age children as well as those children going into kindergarten. If you need Before and After School care for the fall **now** is the time to register. Children can attend on the following sched-

ules: A.M. only \$55.00 P.M. only \$65.00 A.M./P.M. \$86,00 Wed PM Only \$20,00

In order to reserve your child's space you need to pay half the first week of tuition,

and the registration fee if you are not at the Ark in the summer. If you have questions please see Colleen but hurry...spaces are filling up. We transport to and from Peavine, Mamie Towles, Grace Warner, Elmcrest, and Rollan Melton this fall. Let us know if you have another request. We will work it into our schedule if possible.

Summer and Fall Registration!

<u>School-age</u>: Registration forms have been file in parent files for summer sign ups. Please help us get the word out by telling your friends who have children who have completed kindergarten up to the fifth grade. Our program is 8 weeks long and children need to be registered for a 4 <u>week minimum.</u> Forms are available at the front desk so please be sure and take what you need. Please see Colleen or Tiffany if you have questions. Space is limited!

Preschool: Preschool registration forms are trickling in slowly. Please be sure and turn these into the office so you can be guaranteed space and any necessary schedule changes. All children regardless of enrollment preference need to return a form. If you have any questions, please see Colleen. Summer starts on Monday, June 13.

> Summer is coming!

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Don't miss the Easter Breakfast

You are invited! Please check your parent file. We hope that you and all of the family are planning on attending. It's the Noah's Ark Annual Easter Breakfast. Tell your boss you will be a little late for work on Friday, April 14. The festivities start promptly at 8:30 A.M. and end promptly at 9:15A.M. Please note the schedule times for your child on invitations which will be sent home. A buffet is served for all, plus an Easter egg hunt for all of the children, a visit from the Easter bunny and entertainment too. Bring the family and your cameras. Come early as parking is a premium. That's all you need. We supply the rest. It's our way of wishing you all a happy spring.



Parent Information

The front desk is such a busy place and it can get so cluttered with special information for the parents. We try to keep you updated on "what's what" without overwhelming you or repeating ourselves. Please take the time to check out items, letters, and lists placed in this area. Communication with the parents is very important to us.

The children's wet or dirty bags of clothes will be placed on the counter to the right of the payment window. Please return them A.S.A.P.

Please take the time also to sign up for our SENTEXT program and get important updates on your cell phone.!

Sign up for SENTEXT!

Extra Time

Children are regularly scheduled according to the days and times needed for care. If your child is absent for one of these days it is not possible to substitute a day or time. Accounts are still charged for the normal schedule. We love having the children come for extra days if your child is not schedule d for full time. We just ask that you give us a call the night before or morning of and then be sure and let the office know when you bring your child to the center. We can

always make room for one more of our little friends.



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