



Parents:

If DSECC is making a positive difference for your child and your family, please pass this news along to your friends and neighbors. I find that most families who enroll their children here at DSECC heard about us from someone else who came here. But once in awhile, I hear from a family who lives in Akron/Ephrata and is surprised to find that DSECC exists and says "I never heard of you before". We who are part of the DSECC family know we have a great thing going here. I really don't want anyone who may need "nurturing, safe, educational childcare" to be unaware that we exist to meet that need.

Parents, you are our best publicity. Let's make sure everyone in this area knows about the great teachers here at DSECC and the quality program we offer. Of course, it's always nice if you tell us the good things too. Remember, if you refer a family to DSECC that ends up enrolling, you receive a \$50 credit off tuition.

June Hershberger
Director

June Calendar	
June 4	Bookmobile
June 11	Early Dismissal Akron & Brownstown
June 14	Move Ups School Age Summer Care Begins
June 22	Water Play Day
June 25	DSECC Picnic – 6:30 pm Roland Park
June 30	Water Play Day

Warbler Room (Infants)

The weather this past week has proved to us that summer weather is not far away. The older Warblers are loving the playground time. The great summer days will also give us the opportunity to go on walks with all

of the Warblers more frequently. If you have not already done so, you may still send in sun screen for your child.

During the months of June and July, **Ms. Kelly** will be doing her student teaching for her Early Childhood degree at HACC with the Cardinals part of the day. **Ms. Alyssa** will be switching places with Ms. Kelly during that time.

We welcome **Claire** to the Warbler room.

Please continue to feel free to bring any questions or concerns to the Warbler room staff.

Have a great first month of summer!

Ms. Kelly M, Ms. Sharon, Ms. Ruthie & Ms. Tina

Bluebird Room (Older Infant)

The Circus is rolling into town, or at least into the Bluebird room! There will be a lot of clowning around and wild animal sightings in the room this month. We will be doing face painting, wild animal collages, and coloring train cars for the "Bluebird Express".

Water play also begins this month. The first day of water play is June 22nd. Please provide a swimsuit or change of clothing and a towel for your child on water play days. Water play is each week during the summer. Look for the sign on the classroom door to remind you of the next water play date.

Happy Father's Day to all the Bluebird Daddies!

Ms. Amy, Ms. Chelle & Ms. Michelle

Robin Room (Toddlers)

The Robin room is a busy, happy place! Many days we have eleven children which provide many opportunities for the Robins to learn about patience and kindness. The staff are all glad that **Ms. Debbie** is done student

teaching and back in the room since we feel that consistency is important for the children (and us)!

Summer is fast approaching which means hot, sunny days. We will go outside daily, weather permitting. A hat and sunblock for your child's safety comes highly recommended. Water play begins June 22nd and will continue to be weekly with the exception of an entire week of water play in July. More details will be provided on that topic closer to the date.

We will be focusing on Nursery Rhymes early in the month then it will Reptiles as we look forward to our center-wide family picnic on June 25th which will feature a Reptile Show!

Welcome to **Avery**, our newest Robin, and also to the Bluebirds who will move to our room this month! Additionally, we say good-bye to our Robin friends who are going to be Hummingbirds! How time flies!

Please let us know of any potty training you may be working on at home. We would like your child to be successful in that endeavor at school as well! Any concerns about anything pertaining to your child? Please let us know!

Happy Father's Day!

Ms. Debbie, Ms. Joanne, Ms. Barb, Ms Sue & Ms. Greta

Hummingbird Room

Summer is here! I can't believe it. Move up day for the summer is June 14th.

Water play days start this month. On these days please bring your child dressed in their swimsuit with their clothes over top. Send in a towel (labeled with their name), sunblock, and a **complete** change of clothes. Water play days are June 22nd and 30th.

We will continue the theme of Ponds for the first week of the month. Then we will move on to Bugs! You may bring in any bugs

you find at home to show (in a container, please!). The week of the 20th is Sports Week. Show and tell on Thursday, June 24th will be a sports item to share outdoors.

The last week of June will be our Pirate week. Look for some treasures coming home that week!

We welcome **Sami** to our room.

Important Dates:

Bike Days: (bring your bike and helmet)

June 8 & June 25

Show and Tell:

June 24 – sports item

Water Play:

June 22 & 30

Ms. Kelly, Ms. Suzy, Ms. Sumathi & Ms. Nami

Cardinal Room

June brings lots of changes to the Cardinal room. We would like to welcome **Ms. Kelly Martin** to our room this summer. She is the lead teacher in the Warbler room and is also a student at HACC. She has chosen to complete her student teaching in our classroom. She will be with us most mornings. **Ms. Alyssa** will be here but she will be in the Warbler room in Ms. Kelly's place.

Sadly, this month we will say goodbye to several of our friends. You will all be missed very much! We will also be welcoming some new faces this month and look forward to making some new friends!

Water play will be approaching soon. Please have your child dressed in their swimsuits UNDER their clothing. A towel and underwear should be brought in a plastic bag (or any type of reusable bag to put their wet items into to be sent home).

PLEASE NOTE:

Our center policy is that children are NOT permitted to bring toys from home (this includes Silly Bandz). Please refer to the policy in the Family Guide on page 14, "Items from Home". The ONLY time children are permitted to bring things from

home is for Show-N-Share (see monthly calendar for dates).

Thank you for your continued support. We are looking forward to an exciting summer!

Ms. Jessie, Ms. Alyssa, Ms. Kelly & Ms. Pat

Orioles

It is that time of the year again--time to say good-bye to old friends and hello to new friends. I get this lump in my throat when I think about sending your children off to Kindergarten. I will miss all the happy, sad, fun and crazy times we had this year. For the last two weeks of the school year, we are going to celebrate our year of learning and fun. We will prepare for summer by talking about vacations and sun and water safety. Also, you may see a new face in our room. **Ms. Michelle** (from the Bluebird room) is doing her student teaching in our room to earn her Associate's degree in Early Childhood Education from HACC. The children are excited to have her in our room as much as Ms. Dede is!

Have a Safe Summer!

Ms. Dede & Ms. Michelle

Pre-K Summer Camp

Starting June 14th we will start a new program here at DSECC which is our Pre-K Summer Camp. **Ms. Amanda** and I (**Ms. Dede**) will be leading the summer in exciting themes that will change every two weeks. We will be starting our summer off learning how to "Color Me Healthy". Through the help of Lancaster General Hospital we were able to gain some very valuable materials to help teach your child and your family how to eat smart and move more. After Color Me Healthy we will move into Silly Science.

Ms. Michelle is joining us for the summer. She will be mentoring with me to complete her student teaching for HACC.

Welcome Summer 2010!! We are anxious to get started.

Ms. Dede, Ms. Amanda, & Ms. Michelle

Preschool

The Preschool year will be over in a couple of days. Each year seems to go a little faster than last. This past month we enjoyed exploring some famous artists and replicating some of their work. We also enjoyed a day at the park and our pets. Thank you to all of the parents who brought in their pets during pet week.

This month is short for us but we packed a lot of things into it. The last week of class will be spent going over the basics of alphabet and numbers. We will also be doing some of our favorite things this week as well. Each class will go on a field trip for the last week of class. Please sign and return the forms so everyone can enjoy the time together.

The last assessments for the year will be coming out and if you would like to schedule a conference, please contact Ms. Amanda. Children going off to Kindergarten in the fall will also be offered to have the assessments sent to their respective teachers. This is to help the kindergarten teachers know more about your child before they start in the fall.

Thank you all very much for your help and support this year. Have a great summer!

Ms. Amanda & Ms. Lynn

Eagles

Congratulations to **Ms. Brianna** on her recent college graduation and wedding! We are glad to have Ms. Brianna back for the last few days of school and for the summer program. Thanks to Ms. Lorin for helping in Ms. Brianna's absence.

As a reminder, the last day of Before/After School Care is June 11th. If you have not registered your child for summer care, space is still available..

Please feel free to contact either Ms. Pam or Ms. Cathy with any questions or concerns.

Important dates:

June 11 **Early Dismissal** – Akron & Brownstown

June 14 **Summer Care Begins**

Ms. Cathy & Ms. Pam