

**May
2017**

The Gingerbread House



Upcoming Events

- 3's Moving Up Ceremony is Tuesday, June 13th at 6:30!
- 4's and 5's Graduation Ceremony is Wednesday, June 14th at 6:30
- Friday, June 16th from 6:30-9:00 will be our Father's Day breakfast!
- We are proud to announce that **C&S Companies** is a platinum sponsor of our preschool's Science and Technology Program!



Happy Birthday!

- Kaitlyn Kelly (5)
- Griffin Jordan (5)
- George Smith (4)
- James Paddock (4)
- Isabelle El-Khally (3)
- Audrey Carden (3)
- Fiona Torelli (3)
- Lillian Cicotta (2)
- Krishna Goel (2)
- Harrison Leonard (2)
- Sybil Corsello (1)
- Eleanor Grubka (1)
- Clara Szklany (1)

What's New?

Thank you to all of our families for helping to make Week of the Young Child a success! The kids had a blast and our family handprint wall looks awesome.

Our preschool Moving Up and Graduation ceremonies are coming up in a few weeks. Can you believe it's the end of the school year already?

We will continue our curriculum with spring themes for the next few weeks, and then switch our focus to Father's Day. On June 16th, we will be having our Father's Day breakfast from 6:30-9:00.

Our center wide summer curriculum begins the week of June 19th. Get ready for some summer fun!



From Dave...

Please make sure you dress your child appropriately for the summer, including the footwear they come to school in. All children should have clothing that allows them to play on the playground, a swimsuit, water shoes, towel, and closed toe shoes or sneakers with a back. Please do not send your child to school in flip flops or sandals. Your children will spend time on our playgrounds, running, climbing and jumping, I want the children to be safe.

I have added an article from the New York Post regarding CROCS. I have seen many sprained ankles due to children wearing CROCS all day. CROCS were originally designed to be worn when you are at the beach moving from one area to another, they are not safe for children to wear all day.

Hopefully the weather will start to cooperate and we can start spending more time outside.

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All arguments over Crocs — the rubber clogs that, since 2002, have somehow been sold more than 300 million times — inevitably end with “I don’t care, they’re comfortable.” Such defenders relish the tacit assumption that shoes that pamper your feet must also be good for them.

Well, sorry, moms of toddlers, hospital staff and [those who have given up on life](#) — science is now on the side of Team Style .

“Unfortunately, Crocs are not suitable for all-day use,” Dr. Megan Leahy, a Chicago-based podiatrist with the Illinois Bone and Joint Institute, told the [Huffington Post](#). “These shoes do not adequately secure the heel. When the heel is unstable, toes tend to grip which can lead to tendinitis, worsening of toe deformities, nail problems, corns and calluses. The same thing can happen with flip-flops or any backless shoes as the heel is not secured.”

And even if the back straps on classic Crocs sufficiently protect the heel, bigger problems remain.

According to Dr. Alex Kor, president of the American Academy of Podiatric Sports Medicine, the most important part of any shoe is the shank — a supportive structure that rests between the heel and toe, and runs under the arch of the foot.

“Patients are more likely to have foot pain if their shoes bend in the shank,” Kor told HuffPo, calling Crocs the “poster child” for this type of footwear. “I see patients who come into my office complaining of arch or heel pain and they are wearing Crocs.”

So Crocs are not only clunky and polarizing, but also potentially dangerous.

-New York Post, June 2016