

APLC NEWS

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| SPECIAL ACTIVITIES | |
| Thursday,  May 1rd | Family Literacy Night  6-7 PM |
| Monday,  May 5th | Celebrate  Cinco de Mayo |
| May 5th – 9th | Teacher Appreciation Week |
| Friday, May 9th | Celebrate Mother’s Day |
| Sunday, May 11th | Mother’s Day |
| Saturday,  May 24th | **VPK Graduation** |
| Monday, May 26th | **Memorial Day, School Closed** |
| Wednesday,  May 28th | **Last Day of School** |

**Dear Families:**

It is difficult to believe how quickly the school year has passed. On May 24th, we will be having our VPK Graduation. On May 29th, our summer programs will begin. We have so many summer fun activities planned but with limited slots. Make sure to tell family and friends to sign up now. We are also accepting vouchers for our VPK class, beginning August 11th. Please ask at our office how to obtain a voucher. Remember, we offer a week of free tuition when you refer a friend to our school!

Rainy days are coming and we are fortunate to have a carport large enough for two cars. If you park underneath this overhang, we ask you to pick up your child as quickly as possible to allow other parents to use the sheltered area. On wet days, we encourage you to call us when you are ten minutes from the school. We will get your child from the classroom and bring him/her to your car! This will speed up the process and cause less frustration for parents who are waiting. Of course, we hope these days are few!

Please remember to come to us with any suggestions, comments and concerns.

The Administration Team

**SAYING GOODBYE TO PRESCHOOL!**

When the school year ends, saying a meaningful goodbye can help children transition smoothly into summer, then Kindergarten. Preschool children develop deep attachments to their preschool teachers and friends. If your child has enjoyed his time in preschool, then transitioning to a summer at home and warm weather fun may be harder than you think. Below are some ideas to help your child transition easier.

* **Give Time Meaning for Your Child:** Time can be a different concept for preschoolers. Visual representations will help them understand when the school year is ending. About two weeks before the end of the school year, make a paper chain with a link for every remaining school day. Each day, tear off a link and count the remaining number of school days. Talk to your child about all the special happenings you have planned for the summer before they start Kindergarten.
* **Help Your Child Remember This Past School Year:** This would be a good time to make a scrap book including photographs of your child at school, samples of artwork and her own words describing the school year.
* **Acknowledge Your Child’s Feelings:** Many children may feel sad to say goodbye, angry at the teachers, excited about the summer, worried about Kindergarten. Reassure your child that it is okay to have two or more feelings at once. This may be a good time to say, “I wonder if you are feeling sad that the school year is ending? I know we will be able to call your friends when you are missing them over the summer.”
* **Don’t Skip Goodbye:** It can be tempting for parents not to prepare their children for the end of the school year. Remember, saying goodbye is a part of life and teaching your child how to have a meaningful goodbye now will help him/her meet life’s transitions with confidence throughout the rest of their lives.