

Dear Parents,

Just a few reminders:

1. Please keep your children home if they are not feeling well.
  2. If you need an end of the year receipt, please email me and I will do my best to get you one ASAP.
  3. Please make sure you are signing your child in and out everyday. This is a state regulation that MUST be followed.
  4. Keep an eye out for the Fall registration packets. I will be emailing them out at the end of this month! Thanks!!!!
- Kristi Cavanagh

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## Important News

**Daylight Savings-** Talk to your child about how the clocks will spring ahead and let them help change the time on all the clocks in the house.

**Lunch-**Parents should send a nutritionally balanced meal in a lunch box with their child's name on it. Parents must put an ICE PACK in their child's lunch box per Health Department regulations. No glass containers/bottles, aluminum cans, or candy is allowed. Please DO NOT send food that needs to be heated.

Food from home is not permitted to be shared by the children unless it is whole fruit or commercially prepackaged foods in factory sealed containers.

Please Do Not send whole grapes, hot dogs, nuts, popcorn, raw peas, raw carrots, hard pretzels, or meat that is larger than can be swallowed whole to school in your child's lunch box. We will not serve these foods to your children they are choking hazards.



## Upcoming Events

### School Schedule

**Daylight Savings-**  
Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>

**St. Patrick's Day-**  
Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>

**First Day of Spring-**  
Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup>

**Norwalk Community Calendar-**  
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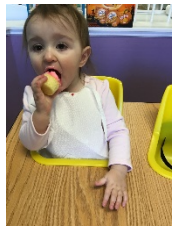


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## Infant Room

This past month we had so much fun creating our heart collage and celebrating a special day with the people we love. We also enjoyed working with red color paint and stamps, making a beautiful board for our class.

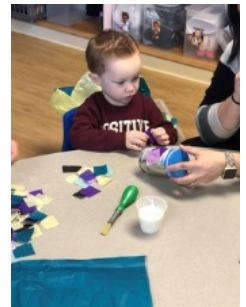
Reading was another great activity we did and now we are getting ready to work on colors.



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## Two's

Happy March! This month we will be celebrating Dr. Seuss' Birthday (a little late) and will also have a lesson on St. Patrick's Day, the weather and cooking. It has been rough with the sickness, please follow the L'il Critters Sick Policy. Reminder to take home sheets every week!



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## Three's

We are having so much FUN learning about trains! We are especially enjoying pretending to be conductors, engineers and passengers traveling to different places in our very own train we built. We are also enjoying learning how trains operate, how many different types of trains there are and their different uses.

As always, if you would like to donate any materials to help us further our investigation, or would like to come in and share your expertise it would be greatly appreciated!!



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## From the mouths of babes:

This morning I heard my wife say to my 3-year old daughter that owls were nocturnal. My daughter responded, " Yes owls are not turtles."



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## Combo Room

This past month we started our topic of Baking. We introduced, talked about and played with baking utensils in our kitchen area. We learned what the utensils are used for, how different ingredients are used and also some new vocabulary words such as, ingredients, sift, and knead. We've read many books about baking, one of our favorites was Chicken in the Kitchen.

Now we've transformed our dramatic play into a Bakery with different stations, where the children will role play and "bake". We did evaluations and held parent-teacher conferences as well. In March we will continue our Baking topic and focus on math, letter recognition and phonological awareness.



## Four's

Thank you to all families that donated to our Dr. Seuss celebration. We read books, had delicious snacks, did fun crafts and practiced patterning, measuring, rhyming, color mixing, and following directions.

We have finished learning about airplanes and will now begin learning about other things that fly (insects, birds, hot air balloons, etc.). If you have anything that you would like to share with the classroom we would appreciate it.



We had a visit from the Fairfield University Field Hockey Team to read to us on Monday March 2, (for Read Across America). Please remember to keep your children home if they have a fever or show signs of the stomach virus, we try very hard to keep our school germ free and need your help to do it.



*\*\*\*Remember: Kindergarten meeting (with Sue Daignault who teaches kindergarten at Naramake Elementary) March 9, 5:30-6:30, please attend this informational meeting.*

Also visit the link to access Step Into Kindergarten; <https://sites.google.com/norwalkps.org/step-into-kindergarten/home>, to view the new website. Registration is open!!!!



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## Rainbow Pot of Gold- Pom-Poms or Finger Prints

**Pom-Pom's** Have your child draw the lines of the rainbow then practice putting the pom-poms in the ROYGBIV pattern, either keep it out for them to put them on each day or you can glue them to the page.



**Finger Prints-** Have your child use their finger to create a rainbow with their finger prints. Add some glitter gold and shamrocks. Teach them the trick of ROYGBIV.



## Shamrock Pretzel Treats

### Ingredients

- Pretzel Sticks
  - Mini Pretzel Twists
  - Rolo Candy or Hersey Kiss
  - Green M&Ms
- (Try Dark Mint Chocolate M&M's or skittles)

\*Make sure to use parchment paper since waxed paper melts.

### Directions

1. Preheat the oven to 250 degrees.
2. Place three mini pretzels and one pretzel stick in a shamrock shape on a parchment paper lined cookie sheet.
3. Place a Rolo candy in the middle of pretzels. Repeat with as many treats as you'd like to make.
4. Bake for 2 minutes at 250 degrees in the oven until chocolate is just starting to melt but not all the way melted.
5. Gently press a green M&M in the middle of Rolo so that the chocolate connects all four pretzels.
6. Freeze until chocolate is set, then enjoy!



# Spring Cleaning Simplified Checklist

Grab the kids and help them check off each days cleaning task!



**mother's niche** DEEP CLEAN & DECLUTTER

1 <b>FRIDGE</b>	2 <i>Stove &amp; Oven</i>	3 KITCHEN CUPBOARDS & DRAWERS	4 <b>MASTER BATH</b>	5 <i>Blinds &amp; Curtains</i>
6 OFFICE AREA	7 <b>COAT CLOSET</b>	8 <i>Medicine cabinet</i>	9 <i>Baseboards</i>	10 ENTERTAINMENT AREA
11 <b>PANTRY</b>	12 MICROWAVE & KITCHEN SINK	13 <b>LINEN CLOSET</b>	14 KIDS CLOSETS	15 <b>BOOKS &amp; GAMES</b>
16 DINING TABLE & CHAIRS	17 <i>Bathroom #1</i>	18 <i>Master Closet</i>	19 <b>TOYS</b>	20 <i>Laundry Room</i>
21 <i>Living Room</i>	22 VENTS & SMOKE DETECTORS & LIGHT SWITCHES	23 <b>WASH WALLS</b>	24 <i>Bathroom #2</i>	25 STAIRS & RAILING
26 MASTER BED & DRAWERS	27 <i>Storage Bins</i>	28 <b>WINDOWS INSIDE</b>	29 KIDS BEDS & DRAWERS	30 <i>Windows Outside</i>



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# Be in "The Know": 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

The Norwalk Public Library is encouraging parents to read to their infants, infants and toddlers. Create an account online, track the books you read together and collect a prize for 100 books receive a sticker and add your name to a lily pad at the library, 500 books pick up a sticker scene and after 1,000 books pick up a free book to take home! Learn more [HERE!](#)

Looking to do something fun with the kids on a Saturday? The Belden Ave library hosts a Music and Movement class for kids birth to 5 yrs. old, no registration required. See a list of their March events [HERE!](#)

There are three libraries in Norwalk, make sure to check out the schedule for each one.

[Norwalk Library-1](#) Belden Ave.

[South Norwalk Library](#) 10 Washington St.

[East Norwalk Library-](#) 51 Van Zant St.



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## Teacher Spotlight: Ms. Jordan 4's Room

**What is one of your favorite kids books?**

A Bad Case of Stripes by David Shannon

**If you were planting a garden, which 5 things would you make sure were in it?**

Pumpkins, strawberries, watermelon, carrots and cucumbers

**What is your favorite thing to do in the spring?**

Go for runs when the weather gets warmer!



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