

REGGIO'S JOURNAL

Reggio's Treehouse at Little Flyers Academy



APRIL 2024



IMPORTANT DATES

- 4/1 - Aviation and Aerospace Celebration
- 4/3 - ACUA to LFA Reduce Reuse Recycle
- 4/8 - Week of the Young Child
- 4/9 - Blake's Gymnastics (6-week Spring Session)
- 4/22 - LFA Earth Day
- 4/22 - FAA Stem Day
- 4/23 - Tech Center Tuesday
- 5/1 - Tech Center Earth Day Event



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



- Rylan is turning 1
- Jaxton is turning 1
- Roland is turning 2
- Anna is turning 3

Ms. Jackie
Ms. Amber



Director's Note

Safety First

The Tech Center fire alarm is a digital sound with flashing strobe lights that alerts everyone that there is a possible fire. LFA treats every Tech Center fire alarm as if it is a real fire and we evacuate according to Tech Center protocol. LFA is responsible for every child that is signed into Brightwheel. Tech Center Safety also requires that any parent who is in LFA when the fire alarm sounds must be included in the LFA count. The parent should exit LFA according to protocol with the children and proceed to the meeting spot on the old playground. During a Tech Center wide Fire Alarm evacuation, Ms. Phyllis or Director Designee will conduct an inspection of the daycare to make sure all children and staff have exited safely and ensure that everyone is accounted for and that LFA does not need any assistance. At the all clear Big Voice and message, all children and staff proceed back to the daycare and their respective classrooms. Children must remain with their teacher if signed in. If you wish to remove your child from the teacher/class designated area, you must sign your child out with the LFA staff member in charge during the evacuation. We will have a QR code and a sign out sheet in our emergency box. The LFA practices their own fire drill each month under the supervision of Tech Center Fire Safety Inspectors with the old-fashioned fire drill bell system. The children move out one classroom at a time and each class exits quickly, but orderly. LFA is required to exit through the stairwell as a first option, because it is structurally the strongest exit. Each class stays together as a group when entering the stairwell, as there are four floors of adults exiting from the floors above us.

If that exit is blocked, the staff is to lead the children out of the daycare through the LFA lobby. As a final option, if the LFA lobby and stairwell exits are blocked, everyone can exit through the infant room. The Director or person in charge is responsible to grab our emergency file box with all the student's contact information from the office. Before exiting the building, that person is also responsible to check the lobby, staff lounge, kitchen, bathrooms, and all five classrooms to make sure no children or staff members are in LFA.

The LFA teachers take counts of the children in their class as the children are exiting LFA and as they are walking to the LFA Playground. The old playground is the evacuation meeting spot required by the Tech Center. Our infant room has two emergency cribs with bigger wheels and four infants go in each crib. Protocol calls for all staff and students to meet at the old playground where the person in charge at LFA is required to get counts. The infants and toddlers go into the infant and toddler section of the playground, while the other students line up quietly along the back fence of the playground with their teachers. Parents are welcome to come and join their child with his/her class.

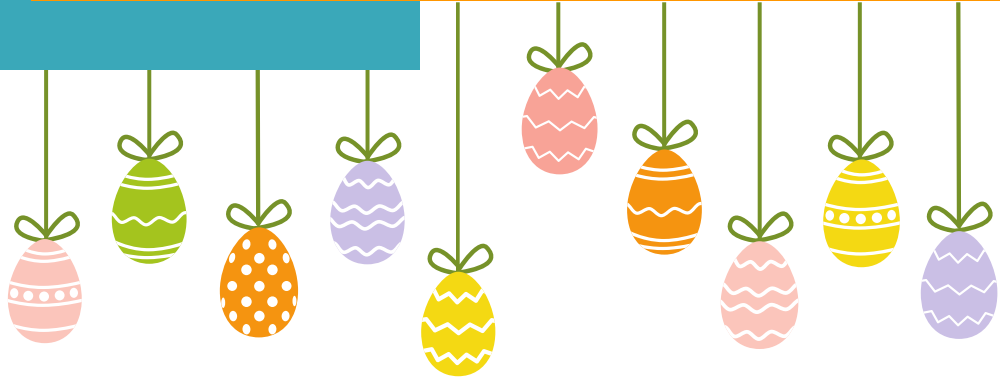
If the staff have the children out for a walk, they are to exit to the nearest Tech Center emergency gathering spot and let the Director or person in charge know their location and how many children they have in their care.

All fire drill information is logged in a binder for the monthly visit from the Tech Center Fire Safety Inspectors and a report is filed with the Program Manager of the National Child Care Federal Aviation Administration.





LATEST NEWS and REMINDERS



Latest News

We would like to Welcome Ms. Kristin as our Reggio's Treehouse Assistant Director for LFA. If the Director is not available you can reach out to Kristin for assistance. You will see her helping in the office and floating in the classrooms among other duties. The month of March closed with a visit from the Easter Bunny and the pictures were adorable! LFA also had an Egg hunt which was fun for all ages. Thank you to all our parents that contributed goodies. LFA is excited to celebrate April and welcome in month of the Aviation Aerospace child as well as NAEYC Week of the Young Child. Our staff has planned activities, stories, songs, and exploration to enjoy this fun filled month. As a NAEYC center the outdoors is considered an extension of the classroom so the children will go out twice daily, weather permitting. And if your child is in Toddler Two they may even take a walk in the rain and enjoy those April showers while exploring the puddles.



Donations



Thank you all for your donation of pots and pans. Moving forward we kindly request donations of recyclable materials for our classrooms to include infant needs: LFA needs paper towel rolls, fabrics, yarn, wooden spoons, coffee cans, and boys clothing 3T -5T. Infants are in need of gently used sleepers and socks to keep as back up. These items will greatly enhance our learning environment and provide hands-on experiences for our students. If you have any of these materials that you would be willing to donate, please bring them to our lobby. Your generosity will have a lasting impact on our students and their education. Thank you in advance for your support.





LATEST NEWS and REMINDERS (Continued)

Event Details

- 4/1 April is the Month of the Aviation and Aerospace child this is a FAA wide event that celebrates our hard-working employees with children and families. FAA Leaders record messages, highlight the child care services and acknowledge the effort and commitment of the workforce to balance work and family. LFA has already began sending handmade thank you cards from the staff and children for our FAA leadership.
- 4/3 ACUA to LFA Reduce Reuse Recycle
- 4/8 Week of the Young Child
 - Music Monday – Music filled activities for the children throughout the day. There will be dancing, musical instruments, and parading!
 - Tasty Tuesday – Children will build their own pizza for a tasty snack.
 - Work Together Wednesday - Students will work together on a classroom group project as we combine
 - Week of the young Child with FAA Aviation Aerospace Child.
 - Artsy Thursday – LFA staff will provide various art activities using process art to be displayed in the LFA lobby.
 - Family Friday – Family Picnic – Parents are asked to bring a bag lunch for you and your child. We will be having a picnic on the playground weather permitting. Lunch will begin at 11:45 a.m. We hope to see you there!
- 4/9 Blake's Gymnastics 6-week Spring Session at LFA for ages two and up. Tracey Blake comes to LFA each Tuesday to mentor our young children in the art of gymnastics. If you wish to sign up look for the green flyer in your child's cubby in April.

- 4/22 LFA Earth Day
- 4/22 FAA - Stem Day
- 4/23 Tech Center Tuesday – Various Tech Center Activities for the children to enjoy.
- 5/1 Tech Center Earth Day Event – Earth Day events for the LFA Children to attend in the TC lobby. All nature related. Details to follow on Bright Wheel
- 5/31 Cape May Zoo Family Trip Tentative Date -It's fun for the entire family. LFA families will pack a picnic lunch and meet a the zoo. A registration form will go out two weeks prior to the event.

Parent Referral Program

Refer your friends, family, & co-workers & earn a \$250 referral bonus! For each family that you refer and that enrolls with us, you will receive a \$250 for each full-time enrollment and \$100 for each part time enrollment. The referral bonus will be applied 60 days from the referral's start date & your friend gets free registration!



WHAT ARE WE LEARNING?



RADICI (Infants)

During the month of April, the infant room will be studying things that go! In other words, transportation. They will have cars, trucks, construction vehicles, out and ready for playtime. They will create a road in class. The infants will paint with vehicles and create a car wash to clean them. With ramps they will make the vehicles go up and down. Weather permitting, they will enjoy the study of transportation outside as well. Different books will be read on vehicles used for transportation. Seeds will be planted, and the children will watch them grow hopefully in time for spring.

FOGLIA (Two's)

The provocation questions for our Toddler Two's are; What flies in the sky? What drives on land? What moves in water? You guessed it, as they will be studying transportation. They will use textured ramps to see how fast the cars will go. Ms. Lauren and Ms. Tori will set up a color matching parking lot as a math activity. The children will investigate a train table, boats in water, and runways for airplanes. Following Earth Day, the Toddler Two class will end the month of April with a farmers' market in the dramatic play center and begin gardening. April will be a month of fun, exploration and learning!

GAMBO (Toddler One)

Our Toddler one class will continue to learn about colors through art, stories, and activities. They will review counting numbers 1-5 by counting together, counting how many kids are present, and counting just about everything. Their study will be about how flowers grow. There will be planting and observations happening throughout the month. For review in sign language, they will cover more, all done, and practice flower as their new word. Meeting time will be filled with colors, numbers, songs, and movement.



ALBERELLO I (Preschool)

This month the preschool class will be studying insects: good bugs and bad bugs. The provocation for our study is; What do bugs/insects do to help our earth? Then we will celebrate Week of the Young Child where we will be covering different topics everyday with activities to go along. Music Monday, Tasty Tuesday, Work Together Wednesday, Artsy Thursday, and our family picnic on Friday. We will also cover recycling and Earth Day during April and we will be making an art project that will be hung in the atrium.

ALBERELLO II (Pre-K)

We are getting to the end of the alphabet for our Pre-K class with learning letters Y and Z. The month of April will be filled with Week of the Young Child and Aviation Aerospace Child, Spring, Earth Day activities and exploration! The life cycle of the butterfly will be our science study, culminating in the release of butterflies grown from caterpillars in our classroom. Addition and subtraction will encompass the math study. April at LFA is going to be exciting and fun!

