

# March Newsletter

## Garden Patch CLC

### March Birthdays

Paisley M.	March 1
Kamora H.	March 2
Camryn R.	March 7
Oliver S.	March 8
Aspyn A.	March 10
Autumn L.	March 17
Walker H.	March 19
Rynleigh G.	March 24
Drew C.	March 25
Mason S.	March 28

It may only be the last few days of February, but as I write this the sun is shining and temps are close to 60. If I didn't know any better, I would easily exclaim spring has arrived! Sadly, as I look at the weather for next week and the mention of the word blizzard scrolls across my screen, I realize we are not in real spring, but in first false spring.

I have lived in Nebraska all my life and am still sometimes amazed at how much revolves around the weather and how we have to account for that weather to change at a minute's notice.

However, working around children for all of my career, I have realized how similar weather patterns and children actually are.

As parents we would all love for our children to be on their best

behavior at all times; no matter if it at school or daycare, out in public, or at home. However, just like the weather, we have little control over the direction things go. What we can do is plan for situations and thankfully with children, we can pre-teach, model, re-teach, and enforce expectations.

A child will never admit that they want boundaries or that they want rules, but ultimately no matter the age of the person, to know what is expected of you and what you are to do is reassuring. Teachers in our classrooms lay out classroom expectations, show what those look like, and each day have conversations of what is expected. In doing so we begin molding the expectations that will follow a child throughout their school journey.

Children can be as unpredictable as the weather, however with guidance we can help mold what each day may look like.

Wishing you a good start to the month of March and may your children be a little bit more predictable than the forecasted weather.

Jill L. Weidenbach, Director



Our preschool and pre-k classes took advantage of the great weather at the end of the month to get out and enjoy some fresh air. Classes used their additional recess time to have fun and do some academics pieces in a different setting.

## Lucky Charms Leprechaun Treats

An easy treat that your kids can help make to try and catch a leprechaun this St. Patrick's Day!

6 c. Lucky Charms cereal  
3 Tbsp. butter

4 c. mini marshmallows (10 oz. bag)  
Cooking spray

In a medium saucepan over medium heat, combine the mini marshmallows and butter. Stir until the mixture is melted, then remove from the heat.

Coat a large bowl lightly with cooking spray, add the cereal and marshmallow sauce. Stir until the cereal is well-coated.

Add the cereal mixture to a small casserole dish that has been coated with cooking spray.

Spread with a spatula (one that's been coated with the spray is helpful since this mixture gets sticky!) until one even layer.

Cut into squares once cooled. Enjoy!



### Dr. Seuss Week—March 3-7 Help us celebrate!!

#### Monday, March 3: Cat in the Hat

Wear your best hat to start out the week!

#### Tuesday, March 4: Which Pet Should I Get?

Bring your favorite stuffed animal to help you throughout the day (please, only 1 small item)

#### Wednesday, March 5: Wacky Wednesday

Show your wacky side and dress crazy!

#### Thursday, March 6: Green Eggs & Ham

Wear green to show Dr. Seuss how you could eat your eggs & ham

#### Friday, March 7: I'm Not Going to Get up Today

End the week by wearing pajamas



## Tuition Increase Effective March 10, 2025

Just a reminder of the tuition increase that will change as of the week of March 10. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Infants (6 weeks to 18 months): \$320/week

Toddlers (18 months to 3 years): \$290/week

Toddlers (3 days a week) \$245/week

3 years to Pre-K: \$270/week

3 years to Pre-K (3 days) \$225/week

School Age 5 days: \$155/week

School Age 3 days: \$115/week

Summer Care for School Age 5 days: \$230/week

Summer Care for School Age 3 days: \$205/week

## Save the Date — Pre-k Graduation

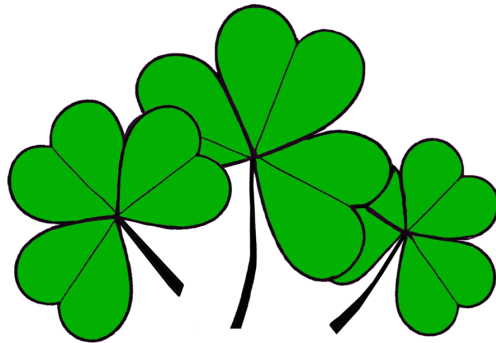
We are in the planning stages of our pre-k graduation and what it will exactly look like, but wanted our pre-k parents to save the following dates:

**Daisies & Snapdragons: Tuesday, May 13 @ 6:30 pm**

We are excited for our graduates to be honored for all their achievements!

## March Toddler & Preschool Themes

Week of March 3 Week of March 10 Week of March 17 Week of March 24 Week of March 31	Dr. Seuss Lucky Little Leprechaun Construction Color Your World Farm Fun
<u>Toddler Numbers of the Month</u> 14 & 15	<u>Preschool Numbers of the Month</u> 25, 26, 27, & 28
<u>Color of the Month</u> Green	<u>Letters of the Month</u> T, U, V
<u>Shape of the Month</u> Shamrock	<u>Preschool Assessment Focus of the Month</u> Handwriting
Social Skill of the Month: Be Kind	



## Important Days in March

Week of March 3 — Dr. Seuss week — see inside newsletter for details

Thursday, March 13 — Pajama Day

Monday, March 17 — Wear Green