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## May 2024 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Spring has arrived and energies have been high in the classroom. We have had the chance to spend more time outside for a couple picnics and some time spent running around in the field and rolling down the hill. We've planted some seeds and have been watering those and waiting patiently for some sprouts to appear.

### **What Are We Learning?**

This month, we will be learning about Asia and some of the cultural and geographical aspects of that continent. We will do more gardening activities and try to spend as much time as we can outside learning about nature. The older students are spending more time on writing the letters and numbers as they prepare for kindergarten in the fall, and all students will be working on manners and practical life skills. As always, we continue to learn how to cooperate well with our peers and how to resolve conflicts amongst ourselves.

### **School Photos**

Everybody who was here for photo day should have their proofs back now. Lifetouch emailed the school and indicated that the most convenient method for ordering would be for you to order your photos online, but there is also the option to order as a group through the school as long as you can have your order information and money back to us by May 1<sup>st</sup>.

## **Mother's Day Tea**

We would like to invite all mothers and grandmothers of our students to join us at 3:00 pm on **Friday, May 3** for some tea and cookies. There will be a sign-up sheet outside our door where we ask that you please indicate whether you will be able to join us or not so that we can get an idea of how many people to prepare for.

## **Sunscreen/Sun Hats**

Now that the weather is getting warmer and sunnier, all students should have a bottle of sunscreen that can be left at school, as well as a hat. On sunny days, we apply sunscreen before we head outside to play, and we insist on students having something on to protect their heads so they don't get overheated.

## **School Dropoff/Pickup**

Please adhere to the drop off and pick up times that pertain to your child. Only children in the FULL DAY program should be at school before 8:30am. If your child is in the Extended Day program, they should arrive at school after 8:30 and be picked up by 3:30pm.

## **Upcoming Important Dates:**

Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> **Mother's Day Tea at 3pm**

Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup> **Victoria Day-NO SCHOOL**

Thank you for the continued support of your child's learning journey.

Sincerely,

Miss Kirsti, Miss Mindy and Miss Simran

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