

The Shyne School Family Newsletter

From The Director's Desk



March /April 2021



Currently if we do not get any more snow, our last day of school will be 6/18/21. We will be closed for a Teacher work day 6/21/21 and start Summer Session 6/22/21.

Spring is starting to peek through the end of winter and show us signs of new growth. It amazes me each year to see the growth that is happening to the children as the end of the year approaches. You can see how comfortable they are and the new skills they have developed.

Please remember that we ask children to arrive by 9:20 to 9:30 each morning so they can participate in circle time. If you arrive later, have your child enter the group quietly or arrive after group time is finished. Please take conversations outside so you do not disturb classes. Keep in mind that our Preschool class is in the same room as the time clock. It is hard to continue a group time & projects with late arrivals causing interruptions. Thank you

to all for not walking through the Stargazer class once they have started.

Parents received Developmental Screenings 90 days after the children started this fall. Teachers offered parent conferences and talked with individual parents about the learning they have seen your child do this year. Teachers post & e-mail their lesson plans for parents. They are posted to the web site and classroom parent boards. Please feel free to set up a conference with your teacher at any time as we finish up the school year. Teachers will hand out progress reports.

I want to thank you all for turning in re-enrollment forms in a timely manner. You found confirmation letters in your Parent Pockets. I was able to accommodate all schedule change requests. I know a lot can change before September so please let me know if you have any schedule changes ASAP.

Parent communication is very important to us. Please continue to keep us informed! During peak drop off/pick up

times, be aware that other parents are waiting, we ask that you keep your conversations brief, but still share important information. Please leave non-confidential notes in the communication notebook next to the time clock in the lobby, all staff read it daily. It is a calendar so make sure you check you are on the right date/day when you make your notes!

I know that we have a steep driveway and that if you go to fast your car's undercarriage can scrape if you have a low car. Please remember that our driveway is **wide enough for two cars to pass**. I have had parents report, and I have had the same problem, that some drivers are coming down the hill on the wrong side. As we are turning to come up the drive we have almost had accidents. **Please stay on the correct side of the driveway. Please park between the lines in the parking lot. Hill spots are for staff/compact only.**

*Have a great Spring,
Katrina Brooke, Director*



Week of the Young Child

April 10-16, early childhood educators and programs around the country will celebrate! The week of the Young Child is an annual celebration sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young children (NAEYC) celebrating early

learning, young children, their teachers and families.

Childhood is a unique and a valuable stage of life; a time of enormous opportunities; a time to grow, to learn, & to build the future.

Each of us can help make the most of children's

opportunities. Speak out for children in your community. Encourage others to get involved. Thank someone who is making a difference for children.

View the fun week at;
<http://www.naeyc.org/woyc>

CALENDAR

- ☺ March 23 Ms. Katy's Reptiles.
- ☺ March 29st Holi— Celebration of color
- ☺ April 1st! April



Fool's Day, Crazy Hair, Hat, clothes Day to fool everyone!

April 4th Easter

- ☺ April 12-16 SPRING BREAK
- ☺ The Week of The Young Child 10-16th
- ☺ Happy Birthday to 4/6 Mr. Bill Shyne
- ☺ April 28 & 29 CLASS and individual Photo's.

Coming:

- May—Mother's Day Tea's
- Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 31st **CLOSED**

Parent Education, Resources and Community Events

We post all of our Parent Articles, resources and community events to our web page, blog and Facebook page. Please check these sites if you are looking or information to assist you in parenting. <http://shyneschool.com/>
<https://www.facebook.com/TheShyneSchool/>



Group Photo's:

Class Picture Day is coming up on Wednesday, April 28th at 10:00 for Dewdrops and 10:30 for Stargazers. On Thursday, April 29th at 10:00 for Rainbow and 10:30 for Sunshiners. If your child does not regularly attend on the day the group photo will be taken you are welcome, and we hope you can join us for the picture with your child! Class pictures will be taken outside if weather cooperates or in the classrooms.

Photographer is Kathleen Williams and you can view her work at <https://www.kathleenwilliamsphotos.com/schoolphotos>

Parents will then be able to view the photo's and order online. A link will be sent when photo's are ready.

If your child is here on one of the days, not the class designated date, we will have their photo taken.

Reminders:

- When you arrive **please take children to their classes first and then log in on the time clock.** When you pick up please log them out on the time clock first and then pick them up from their group. This eliminates congestion in the lobby,
- Children are not allowed to go to the barn, bathroom or parking lot unsupervised by parents during drop off and pick up. **Students need to be supervised 100% of the time while on school grounds.**
- As the warm weather approaches children often take off coats and hats. Please check the lost but found basket. **Make sure you are taking home YOUR child's clothing.** Several children have the same coats and shoes and some have gone missing. If you have two at home please return one.
- We will **donate unclaimed items at the end of each month** if the basket is full. We check for kids names first so label items!!
- We ask children not to share items to prevent the spread of germs/bugs. **PLEASE** label anything they can take off themselves!
- Please **clean out your child's cubby** and make sure they have a change of clothes that fit them that is appropriate for the season.
- **As you do your spring cleaning at home keep us in mind!** We need boys and girls underwear and pants in size 3 to 6, paint brushes, tents, hand towels and other real tools you use around the house.
- Only and Plus schedules can drop off as early as 8:30 AM without an additional charge, full day as early as 7:30 AM.
- **NO DOUBLE PARKING!**
- Please wait on the hill until a parking spot is open.
- ☺ **April 12-16 SPRING BREAK**
Childcare for full day families only, No CLASS for ONLY and PLUS students. Snow Make up days open during break.



For Your Information (FYI)

Are you having a problem with your child listening, sleeping, or another **parenting issue**? The Shyne School has teachers and books you may find helpful. We have books about discipline, separation and other topics important to parents. Please feel free to use us and our materials as a re-

source! You will also find a lot of information on our Web site blog and Facebook page as well!!

We like to know how you feel about our school. Each year we ask parents to fill out an **evaluation form**. The form link will be e-mailed out in

We are open 7:30 AM to 5:30 PM

April. Please take a few minutes and let us know how we are doing and how we can improve our service.

You can also post a review on our Facebook page, Yelp, Google, www.greatschools.org & www.privateschoolreview.com

Time Clock Requirements

If you don't clock in, you can't clock out. If you don't clock out you can't clock in the next day. If you get an error message that says "See the Director" it means your log in/out is out of order and you need to use the correction sheet until it is checked off, meaning it is corrected. If the time clock is not working please sign in/out on the correction sheet.

I am finding that parents are moving too fast and not waiting for all the prompts or are forgetting to **press finish for a second time** after the machine confirms you are checking in or out.

When you check your child in/out you can also hit the options button and check your balance to date before hitting finish the last time. You can also log in at myprocare.com and check statements and contact info. Use your email to log in and it will prompt you to set up a password.

It is required to clock or sign your child in and out each day. I need to know who is picking up/dropping off and at what time. This is mandated by The Department of Children, Youth and Families. Thank you for your help keeping your child safe, we check school wide attendance for fire drills. **Please make sure your child is accounted for by the time clock or on the correction sheet daily.**



Ms. Katy will bring some of her reptile pets to visit on Tuesday, March 23rd between 10 and 11:30, to each class!

We are a
school
where
teachers and
students
EXCELL.



Teacher Appreciation Week May 3-7, 2021

We are looking for parents to sign up to organize Teacher Appreciation Week. We need a organizer and a parent from each class to **volunteer to help with class specific projects**. We will need a Parent Organizer for each class, someone to buy gift cards and for organizing a Morning Coffee Treat and Teacher Lunch (Potluck). Let me know if you have questions. This can be organized through meetings, e-mail or over the phone.

Please sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090B45ACAB2DA31-teacher>

We have a plan in place for parents to follow. We need parent volunteers. A helper from each class; room parent and, someone to organize a potluck lunch with parents covering the classrooms so teachers can eat.

HELP! HELP! HELP!