# APRIL 2022 Newsletter

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# **APRIL Happenings at First School**

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### LOOKING FOR AN AFTERNOON PROGRAM FOR YOUR MORNING KINDER-GARTNER NEXT YEAR?

First School can help! Our Afternoon Enrichment program is phenomenal. From 11:45 until 2:15 your student will be exposed to a myriad of creative and problem solving opportunities. Our students are encouraged to think critically about themes from their traditional morning class and use higher order thinking skills as they examine a wide variety of literature and art mediums while being challenged with long term projects. Choose a 2 or 3 day MWF option. Contact Stacey for info.

## MINI DAYS Scheduled for August 29 & 30, 2022

On August 29 and 30 we will have mini days. This will be a 45 minute long class session that a parent and child get to enjoy together. You will be assigned a time within your normal class time to come and visit the school. Together you will do a project and the children will meet some friends in their class. The teacher will talk with the parents while the children explore the room. Then the teacher and the children will get to know each other while the parent is busy filling out paperwork. At the end of the 45 minutes everyone will have met some new friends, made a project and have paperwork for preschool completed. What a great opportunity! We will be sending out emails this summer to assign your time. Please plan on attending this fun and meaningful event.

#### Dates to Remember:

- April 4: Return from Spring Break
- April 5: Yoga class starts (must be preregistered)
- April 6: Drums Alive class starts (must be preregistered)
- April 12 & 13: Spirit Wear Days
- April 21 & 22: Outside chalk Days. Look for our drawings.
- April 27 & 28: Wear your favorite color day

#### TAW Update

Thank you to the classroom volunteers who signed up to help with coordinating this year's event. Please look for an email from a fellow parent in your child's classroom soon.

## Summer Camp at First School

We have created two fabulous 4 day weeks of fun for 3, 4, 5 and 6-year olds. Children must be three by April 1, 2022 and older students may join if they are entering Kindergarten. Camp will run from 9:30am to 12 pm, Monday through Thursday. Taught by our very own First School teachers. (Flyers sent home in the school bags on April 4 and 5)

July 11-14: KALAIDOSCOPE OF COLOR: Let's brighten up our lives with color! We will explore how color is around us every day and how much it matters to all of us. Imagine a world without it or a world with only shades of gray and white. STEAM methods will be used in our approach to the examination of color by looking at the differences between tint and shade and experimenting with color mixing. We will challenge the children to create colors of their own and name them. We'll have an outdoor potion lab, too!

July 18-21: INSECTS AND BACKYARD POLLINATORS. Did you know that 1 in every 3 bites you take of food has been pollinated by bees? Can you imagine a world without flowers, fruits, or even coffee or chocolate? Without the work of pollinators much of the food we eat and the flowers we enjoy would not be possible. We will take a deep dive into our study of these crucial helpers. We will even learn how to attract them to our own backyards!

The cost is \$140.00 per week for each camp paid by the first day of camp to First School. Contact Stacey at info@firstschooldayton.com if you need another registration form or have questions. Thanks!