

April 2017

Monthly Quote

Easter is the time to rejoice and be thankful for the gift of life, love and joy!

Monthly Events

April 3rd Spring Break begins for SC Latchkey Children Brandi's Place is OPEN

April 7th PJ Day!

April 13th Easter Party & Egg Hunt

April 13th Parent Egg Drawing

April 14th Good Friday – Brandi's

Place is OPEN

April 14th No School for SC Latchkey

Children

April 15th Income Tax Day

April 27th Take your son/daughter to

work day

April 27th Early Release for SC

Latchkey Children

April 28th Arbor Day



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April 1st Tristan W. April 5th Anna C. Miss. Ana April 9th Nathanael S. April 17th Adelynn J. April 17th Haydyn G. April 18th April 21st Kiersten G. Jenesis W. April 23rd Miss. Jillian April 23rd Jack B. April 24th Amelia S. April 25th April 28th Addison T. April 28th Miss. Natalie April 29th Owen S. April 30th Justin J.



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April Newsletter



Important Information

Please note that some lockers may have moved. Some children are with their siblings as they get to the same end of the hallway as well as some children may share with others that only come 1 to 2 times a week. We apologize for any inconvenience, however the cubbies are set up to have two children per cubby. Young 5's also has cubbies inside their classroom as well. We try to accommodate schedules so that children who share are not here on the same days.

Please remember that newsletters folders are to be returned after reading your newsletter. Please initial the box on your folder and place in our newsletter folder box located at the front next to our chairs (under the TV). You do not have to put your folder in any specific order, we will sort them the next month. Please note – do NOT put any items in there that need to be returned to the front desk. We do not check these folders until the following month when we refill them.

Spring break is scheduled for the school districts during the week of April 3rd. Please note that Brandi's Place is OPEN regular hours this week. Remember that regular tuition applies as the center is still open. Our next scheduled day off is Memorial Day at the end of May.

Please keep in mind that children do go outside twice a day. Please bring weather appropriate clothing for your children. Help to keep them warm. We would also like to remind you that the playground is made up of pea gravel. This can be very dusty but it is not muddy and will not stain clothing. This dries very quickly so that the children can go outside faster. The teachers will wipe down any playground equipment before they go out if it is still wet.



Upcoming Events

Each newsletter we like to remind you of upcoming events so that you can plan accordingly. You will find these listed on our Brandi's Place calendar located in each classroom as well as in the hallway located by the parent restroom. You will also find these listed in our newsletter on the first page and then again in an article such as this one. We will continue to update them on our Facebook page and through our text message system too. Our goal is to make this parenting journey easy for you. Please see below for upcoming events that are scheduled. We are planning through summer at this time. However, some dates have not been finalized yet and will only be listed with TBD dates.

Month of April

Week of April 3 rd	Spring Break for SC Latchkey Children
	Brandi's Place is OPEN
April 7 th	PJ Day
April 13 th	Easter Party & Egg Hunt
April 13 th	Parent Egg Drawing (in AM only)
April 14 th	Good Friday – No School for SC Latchkey

Children. Brandi's Place is OPEN

April 27th Take your son/daughter to work day

April 28th Arbor Day

Month of May

Date TBD Young 5's Field Trip

May 29th Memorial Day – Brandi's Place is CLOSED

Month of June

June 5th (tentatively) Young 5's Graduation
At Morrish Elementary Gym

June 14th Last day of school for SC Latchkey children.

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(1/2 Day)

 ${\rm June} \ 23^{\rm rd} \\ {\rm 1st} \ {\rm Splash} \ {\rm day} \ ({\rm Every} \ {\rm Friday-weather}$

permitting)

June 30th Splash Day

Month of July

July 3rd & 4th Independence Day – Brandi's Place is CLOSED – we will reopen with regular

business hours on Wednesday July 5th

Dates TBD July Field Trips
Date TBD Transportation Day

Every Friday Splash Days – Weather Permitting

Month of August

Dates TBD August Field Trips
Date TBD Community Picnic

Every Friday Splash Days – Weather Permitting

We are still in the planning process for our summer camp and events. Stay tuned for more events and dates!

Extra Clothing

Please take a minute to check your child's cubby bin for extra clothing. Every child should have at least one full set of clothing (pants, shirt, underwear and socks) in their bin. Children that are potty training should have two or three sets of clothing. All clothing should be weather appropriate and correct sizes. We are running low on our extra clothing that we have at the center. Items that we are sending children home in are not being returned back to us. Parents will be called to bring up extra clothing if they do not have any in their bin and we have no extras here. Please help us and make sure that your child's bin is fully stocked. Thank you in advance ©

Summer is almost here!

It's that time of year again... summer is almost here. With that being said we are now starting to take schedules for our latchkey children. We will begin planning the summer program soon. We will continue to have weekly themes, Friday splash day, field trips, Kona Ice visits, transportation day and so much more... we can't forget our annual family picnic day (which his usually towards the end of summer). Stay tuned for more information regarding our summer events.

Please stop at the front desk to have your name put on the list if your child will be here for the summer months. We will need to have their schedule or a tentative schedule so that we can see what is available. We have limited availability for our summer school age program. We want to accommodate everyone and want to make sure that we have everyone's name on the list that will be here. We will take names from now until the June – however, to guarantee a spot you will need to let us know before May 22nd. At that time any space available will be opened up to others looking for summer care.

There is no deposit required for summer care, we just need your child's name and tentative schedule. Please note that we will need an exact schedule by the 1st week in June. Please see the front desk if you have any questions regarding our summer program for school age children.



What's On In April?

Here are some fun events/days happening in April...

April 1 st	April Fool's Day
April 9 th	Palm Sunday
April 10 th	Passover at Sundown
April 14 th	Good Friday

April 14th Webster Dictionary first

published

April 15th Income Tax Day April 16th Easter Sunday April 21st Kindergarten Day

April 27th Take your son/daughter to

work day

April 28th Arbor Day

More April happenings...

Week of the Young Child (1st Week) National Library Week (2nd Week) Stress Awareness Month Keep America Beautiful Month National Child Abuse Prevention Month National Humor Month

Car Seats

Car seats can be left here when needed. Please place car seats at the front either on, under or next to the table. All car seats MUST be labeled with your child's full name on them. There are sticky notes or paper at the front desk if you don't want to write on the car seat. This will help teachers, directors or the person picking up your child to know what car seat belongs to your child.

Text Messages

Are you signed up for your texting alerts??? Parents that are not signed up were given an instruction packet during the week of March 13th. This is a quick and easy way to alert parents in the event of an emergency or for reminders such as PJ Day. It's one less thing that you have to worry about... sign up and let us take care of you and remind you of upcoming events. ©

Easter Party & Egg Hunt

Our Easter Party and Egg Hunt is scheduled for Thursday, April 13th. Parties generally start around 9am. Children will be doing an art project, reading some fun stories, playing a game and having fun snacks. Each class (even waddlers) will be having an egg hunt as well. Children will make their baskets/bags before the party so that they can have them when they "find" their eggs.

We will continue to do the signup sheet for treats on line for anyone that would like to help or participate. The link is posted on our Facebook page and is pinned at the top. (It will be the first post that you see). The link was also sent out in a text message. Please see below for the link for anyone that would like it:

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090444afab2aa0f58-easter

Young 5's Activities

It's almost that time of year to start thinking about our young 5's end of the year field trip and graduation. Last year we visited Grandpa Tiny's Farm and came back to have a special lunch. This is a day of celebrating all of their hard work throughout the year. We also held our graduation here at Brandi's Place. However, this year we will be holding our graduation at Morrish Elementary gymnasium. This will allow more room for anyone wanting to attend. Children wear cap and gowns during the ceremony and will receive their certificate at that time as well as their portfolio they worked on throughout the year and a cap and gown picture. At this time we are planning on June 5th (Monday) at 4:30. However stay tuned for more information... once we have finalized everything we will let you know.

Our field trip will take place in May. However, we are still working on this and more information will come soon. Letters were sent out in your child's weekly folder regarding the above events. Please watch your child's newsletter or weekly folders for more information and permission slips.

This is an exciting time for them as they worked so hard throughout the year and are ready to go to the "big school!"

Parent Egg Drawing

In addition to our monthly drawing we will be having our annual parent egg drawing. This will take place the morning of April 13th (Thursday). There will be a basket of eggs at the front desk. Each egg is numbered and has either candy or a coupon in it. The coupons that are in the eggs range from \$1, \$5, \$10 or 10% off. Any coupons drawn that day will be applied that morning. They can be used that day for tuition or can be kept as a credit to use when you would like. Good luck to everyone playing.





Hello! We are pleased to send you this monthly issue of *Brandi's Buzz*. We want to keep you up to date with upcoming events as well as some parenting tips, communication and of course a little bit of humor! It is our way saying that you are important to us and we truly value your family. Enjoy!

