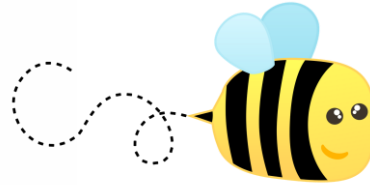


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March 2018

Monthly Quote

Wishing you a pot o' gold and all the joy your heart can hold.

Monthly Events

- Mar 2nd Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss
Fun snack today to celebrate
- Mar 5th Start of Dr. Seuss Spirit Wk
Mon – Sleep Book
PJ Day
Tue – Cat in the Hat
Wear a hat
Wed – Wacky Wednesday
Wear wacky clothes
Thur – Oh! The places you'll go
Wear a shirt from somewhere you visited
Fri – Fox in Socks
Wear crazy socks
- Mar 14th SC Latchkey – Early Release
- Mar 16th Wear GREEN. St. Patrick's Day celebration & Fun Snacks
- Mar 27th Easter Party & Egg Hunt
- Mar 27th Kindergarten Registration at the Cage Fieldhouse
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- Mar 29th Egg drawing for parents
- Mar 29th SC Latchkey Children ½ day
- Mar 30th SC Latchkey Children – No School

March Birthdays Happy Birthday

- Mar 2nd Dr. Seuss
- Mar 6th Tinley E.
- Mar 7th Elias A.
- Mar 8th Brenna G.
- Mar 9th Autumn C.
- Mar 9th Jazzlyn M.
- Mar 9th Miss. Kristen
- Mar 10th Oliver C.
- Mar 12th Brooklyn M.
- Mar 12th Miss. Brittney K
- Mar 13th Ian H.
- Mar 13th Leia M.
- Mar 13th Juliet A.
- Mar 14th Victoria S.
- Mar 15th Cali C.
- Mar 16th Landon C.
- Mar 17th Benjamin K.
- Mar 18th Hunter L.
- Mar 20th Ethan P.
- Mar 20th Brody K.
- Mar 24th Jacob L.
- Mar 26th Addison O.

happy birthday



This Month's Highlights

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Included in this packet:

- March Newsletter

Important Information

Our menus will be changing the week March 12th. We will start with Menu #1. Each classroom has a copy of these hanging in their classroom or you may stop at the front desk if you would like one to take home with you.

Schedules are due by Thursday. This allows us Friday to schedule staff for the next week. Days can be given to a director, written on the bottom of your check or written on a sticky note and placed in the tuition box. Parents may also give us a calendar of their days for the month if needed as well. Once the week has started days cannot be changed, however if you need to add days you may do so if there is availability. Please see a director if you have any questions.

Please help us to keep your child's cubby clean. We clean cubby's every Thursday however there are many papers and art projects that are in them. Please make sure that you are taking home your child's work. They work hard on these and can't wait to show you what they did.

Children should have extra clothing in their bins as well as a blanket for naptime. Blankets are used for the week and are sent home at the end of the week. Please take these home to be washed and bring them back on the first day the following week. We do not have many blankets here. These extra blankets are for a one time use when parents forget on an occasion. They cannot be used the entire week as we must wash them each day. Please help to keep your children comfortable at naptime and bring in a blanket.

Spring break is approaching, please remember that Brandi's Place does not close for this week. School children are welcome to join us. Please let us know the week prior so that we can plan for those that will be here (staffing, activities, etc.) . Brandi's Place does not offer vacation or sick days. If your family is going on vacation you may leave a check (post dated) to avoid any late fees. Please let a director know so that it is marked accordingly.

Please remember that we are a secure facility. Please do not hold the door for anyone behind you. Although we appreciate you being friendly and helping out, we still must keep everyone safe and cannot let others in. This is called piggy backing. We apologize to anyone that may have someone not hold the door for them but we hope that you appreciate that our safety is number one. A sign is placed on the door as a reminder for you. We appreciate your help in this matter.

Upcoming Events

Each newsletter we like to remind our parents of upcoming events so that you can plan accordingly. You will also find these listed on our Brandi's Place calendar located in each classroom and in the hallway, on the newsletter's 1st page, in an article such as this one, Facebook and through our text messaging system. Our goal is to make this parenting journey easy for you. Please see below for upcoming events that are scheduled. (Please watch each month as some dates may change).

Month of March

March 2 nd	Dr. Seuss Birthday – we are having a special treat today
March 5 th	Dr. Seuss Spirit Week – See article for details
March 11 th	Daylight Savings Time – Move clocks ahead one hour
March 14 th	Early Release for SC Latchkey Children
March 16 th	St. Patrick's Day celebration (wear your green)
March 27 th	Easter Egg Hunt & Party
March 27 & 28 th	SC Kindergarten Registration at Cage
March 29 th	Easter Egg Parent Drawing
March 29 th	½ day for SC Latchkey Children
March 30 th	Good Friday – No school for Latchkey Children. We are OPEN

Month of April

April 1 st	Easter – Happy Easter
April 2 nd	Spring Break begins for Latchkey Children. We are OPEN during this week

Month of May

May 7 th	Summer Program Papers are due back
May 10 th	SC Latchkey Children – Early Release
May 11 th	Mother's Day Celebration (date may change)
May 13 th	Mother's Day – Happy Mother's Day!!!
May 21 st	100 th Day of School – we will be doing some fun things on this day
May 28 th	Memorial Day – Center is CLOSED



*The above activities for April & May are planned; however, there may be more activities planned throughout the month during these months. We are still in the planning process for these months. Please watch your parent newsletters and calendar for any updates.

Dr. Seuss Birthday & Spirit Week

To celebrate Dr. Seuss and his birthday we will be having a Dr. Seuss Spirit Week. Each day will be themed around one of his books. Teachers will be hanging up signs as a reminder and a text will go out the night before as a reminder.

Here is a list for the week of March 5th.

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| Monday – March 5 th | Sleep Book
Read In & PJ Day |
| Tuesday – March 6 th | Cat in the Hat & The 500 Hats
Wear your favorite hat |
| Wednesday – March 7 th | Wacky Wednesday
Wear your crazy & wacky clothing |
| Thursday – March 8 th | Oh! The places you'll go
Wear a shirt from somewhere you have visited or wear your favorite school/college shirt or colors |
| Friday – March 9 th | Fox in Socks
Wear your crazy socks |



Summer Program

Can you believe that summer is only in a few months? We are currently in the process of planning our summer program. Your April Parent Newsletter will have more information about this. We will also have our latchkey letters in your April newsletter as well. These will be due back on May 7th so that we may plan on how many openings if any will be available for outside enrollments for our summer program. Sunscreen forms will also be coming home in your May parent newsletter. Please fill these out as soon as possible and return back to your child's teacher with their sunscreen.

Stay tuned for more information about summer!



What's On March?

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

March 2 nd	Dr. Seuss Birthday
March 7 th	National Cereal Day
March 12 th	Girl Scouts Day
March 17 th	St. Patrick's Day
March 20 th	1 st day of Spring
March 30 th	Passover begins at sundown

More March happenings...

National Craft Month
National Women's History Month
American Red Cross Month
Music in our schools month

Car Seats

Car seats may be left at the center at any time. Please make sure that your child's name is clearly marked on the car seat. There is tape or sticky notes at the front if you should need any to label your car seat. Car seats can be placed on the cabinet, next to the cabinet or inside of the cabinet. Please do not leave your child unattended in a car seat while on the cabinet or in the chairs.

St. Patrick's Day

St. Patrick's Day is a fun day for us. We love to celebrate everything. There will be NO sign up sheet for this celebration. We will be having a fun snack in the morning and another fun snack in the afternoon. Teachers will have some fun activities that they will be doing throughout the day. Our next party scheduled is on Tuesday, March 27th for Easter. A signup sheet will be posted soon for this.

Safety

For safety reasons, we are asking the children do not come behind the desk. We love our hugs and will be happy to come out and give them to you, however we cannot have children come behind the desk. This is for their safety as well as we have confidential items in the office and children should not in there.

Kindergarten Registration

It's almost that time of year again. Our young 5's class will be thinking about kindergarten registration. Swartz Creek will be having their registration on March 27th and 28th at the Cage Fieldhouse on Morrish Rd (across from Meijer). Parents must have 1 proof of residency (for example: lease/mortgage statement, cable bill, utility bill, property tax receipt), this must have the parents name on it. You will also need your child's legal birth certificate, most recent immunization record, proof of vision test and parent's driver's license or Michigan ID with current address on it. Brandi's Place will have kindergarten registration packets are now available at the front desk. This will help to make it a smooth transaction when you go to the cage to register. We can also help you with any forms that need to be filled out.

Parents will still need to register their child, even if you do not live in the district but still want your child to attend Swartz Creek (Morrish Elementary) so they can stay with Brandi's Place. There is a school of choice form that will need to be filled out. Please see Brandi if you have any questions. We will be happy to help you and make this as easy as possible.

Outside Play

All children go outside twice a day (weather permitting). This time of year can be difficult to judge on what to bring. It is best to bring everything – snow pant, boots, hats, mittens, etc. Please let the teacher know what you would like them to wear as weather may change throughout the day. Children (waddlers and up) do use the playground and will need items to keep them warm on cold days. We use the following temperatures as a guideline Waddler & One year: 32 degrees & above, Two, Three & Preschool room: 25 degrees & above and Young 5's is 20 degrees & above. Infants do go outside for walks when the weather warms up. Please make sure that your infant has items to go outside as well. This is also a good time to check your child's cubby. Please make sure that they have extra clothing in their bins. This should be clothes that currently fit and are weather appropriate. Children should always have an extra outfit in their bin. Potty training children should have two to three extra outfits in their bin.

March is National Reading Month

Every year at the beginning of March we kick off National Reading Month. We start by celebrating Dr. Seuss and will be kicking off the month with a special treat on his birthday. We will then move into our Dr. Seuss spirit week. (See above for days).

We also encourage parents to read to your children at home too. Teachers read stories throughout the day but children that are read to at home enjoy a substantial advantage when entering the school age years as well. Celebrate National Reading Month and take a little time to read to your children at home.



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!

*A persons a person
No matter how small.
~Dr. Seuss*