

Airport Learning Tree

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Upcoming Events

9/4 CENTER CLOSED
for LABOR DAY
9/20 PNO Hosted by
Debbi & Chela
9/26 Scholastic Book
Orders Due



Happy Birthday to you,
Happy Birthday to you,
Happy Birthday dear...
Eleanor Schreiber
Kingston
Lily
Elliott
Graydon
Hazel
Teacher Jan
and Teacher Deby
Happy Birthday to you!

ALT News

Looking Ahead

We are closed on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 4th. We hope that everyone enjoys the three day weekend!



Tuition Increase

Due to the recent increase in minimum wage, there will be a 7% rate increase beginning in September. We work very hard to keep our costs as low as possible, but it is important to keep our staffs' wages competitive as well.



New School Year, New Classrooms

September brings a lot of change to the center. We send our school-agers back to school and move children up to the next classroom. This transition can take a couple weeks but we expect to have everyone moved up by Monday, Sept. 9th. If you have any questions about the change or the class your child will be in, see the front desk or their new teacher for more information. This is also a great time to make sure that your child has clothes that fit (including a swimsuit if applicable) as well as appropriate clothes for the weather changes we will be experiencing.

Scheduling

With all the changes happening at our school during this time of year, please make sure the front desk knows your child's most current schedule. In addition, if your child is sick or won't be attending on a day they are scheduled

to attend, it is helpful to us if you call to let us know so we can plan for staffing.

Van Run Reminders

Just a few reminders as we get back into the routine of school and van runs. If your child will not be at school to be picked up on a day we are scheduled to pick them up, please let us know. There will be a \$5 bussing fee charged if your child is not there for us to pick up and we were not notified.

If you have a chance, please talk with your children about the importance of being safe in and around our vans to reinforce what we are telling them.

Also, remind them to be prompt when they are dismissed as a lot of times, our van has a second school we need to get to in a timely manner.



Scholastic Book Orders

After taking the summer off, we will be starting up our Scholastic book orders in September. The first due date will be Sept. 26th. This will give us enough time to get Halloween and Fall themed books back in time for the occasions. The book orders are a great (and inexpensive) way to build your home library! In addition, our center earns points to build our library at school when families place orders. If ordering online, our class code is MBL66. Thank you in advance for your support.

Snuggle Bunnies loved by Kaylee, Crystal & Nicki

Wow this summer just flew by! Older kids are going back to school. Astrid celebrated her birthday towards the end of August! A lot of our babies are becoming more and more mobile each day. They are getting fast and watching them grow has been amazing. We have been getting better with our signs, we are always practicing. We have been reading books in the morning as babies arrive.

In September, Eleanor and Elliott will be turning one. Happy Birthday! Astrid, Eleanor, and Elliott will be officially moving up to wobblers. We will start doing some fall art and once the leaves start changing, we can do a sensory bucket full of different color leaves. We will continue our signs, reading books, and listening to some super simple songs. We hope our families have a fun and safe Labor Day!

Wobbly Lambs loved by Jan & Tracy

We have exciting things going on in our room this month. Several of our friends are graduating from our wobbler room and beginning their new journey with the toddler class. We are so happy to see them set out on a new adventure. We will also be welcoming some infants officially to our room, and we are excited to get to know all of them. Our teachers will begin teaching the new ones all about our room routines, and we will all be able to participate by the end of the month. It will be easy peasy with plenty of love and guidance from our teachers Jan and Tracy.

We will continue learning about colors, sorting and counting, as well as practicing communicating with signs and start talking about letters.

We hope you have a wonderful September! Fall is coming.

Tiger Cubs I loved by Bri & Reba

We can't believe that summer is almost over and fall is just around the corner. This month we were excited to welcome our new friend Wesley! During circle time we continue working on our letters, numbers, shapes and colors. *Tyrannosaurus Wreck* is still our class favorite. Our themes this month were "The Circus," "Zoo," and "Fruits and Veggies." Our themes next month will be "Back to School," "Weather" and "Autumn."

Since we had a few warmer days this month we took the opportunity to do some water play during our outside time in the afternoon. The kids had a blast splashing and playing in the water table. We have had a wonderful summer and can't wait to see what fall has in store for Todd's I.

Tiger Cubs II loved by Chela

Summer is almost over and school will be starting. In August, we learned about flowers, and how they grow and need sunlight. We also learned about insects that live in the ground. Also, since many of us are 2 $\frac{1}{2}$, we spent a lot of time visiting preschool. We are going to be so comfortable when we move up in September. The older kids moving up will also create space for younger toddlers to move to the Todds II side. With the new kids moving up, we will be learning new things. We will be focusing on our letters, colors, shapes, and numbers - learning them in English and Spanish.

Fuzzy Ducks loved by Deby, Rachel, & Nicki

We had a lot of outside play in August, plenty of walks! We had story time on the playground. Stories are always better in the fresh air. We had fun making maps for pirate week and finding the hidden treasure on the playground. We had a blast making individual concoctions out of water, salt, flour and oats. Some of us spent almost an hour dumping and mixing.

September brings plenty of changes. We had a big group of kids moving up to JrK and some kids moving to preschool from todods. It's all bitter sweet. We will learn about the different types of apples. Do yellow apples taste different than red?

We'll then talk about ourselves, what color hair, what color eyes, are we a boy or a girl? It will be

fun to make a self-portrait. We're going to go on walks and talk about the leaves changing color, and about how they fall off the trees.

We will paint leaves and make a fall classroom tree. We will make applesauce for one of our cooking projects. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to talk to us.

Bouncy Bears loved by Lissette & Jess

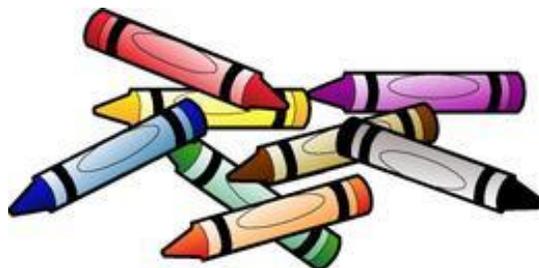
As summer is coming to a close, we are getting ready to welcome new students as well as saying "good luck" to those moving on to kindergarten. With our classroom gaining new friends, the focus for this month is "All About Me." We will be sharing things about ourselves with our classmates, during self-portraits, and writing down facts about ourselves. We will also be reviewing the alphabet and how to spell our names. This month, we would love for our students to bring in photos of their family to share with our friends. You can also email them to info@airportlearningtree.com and we can print them out if it is easier. A friendly reminder for our parents, please make sure to bring enough clothes for your child in case of spills or accidents. Teachers Lissette and Jess look forward to another fun year!

Kangaroos loved by Michelle, Mariah & Ru

Can it really be the time of year when another Kindergarten group moves up from Jr K to start their adventure? Wow the summer flew by! We will officially start our school year Sept. 9th as this is the day our Parkrose friends start Kindergarten which will free up our classroom in the morning. We will start out by learning the basics. We will get to know our classroom, a new classmate or two and teachers. What toys are in our new classroom? What do we do when we need to use the restroom? What are the rules of our classroom? As a group, we will brainstorm the rules we would like to have so that we all

agree on them. What do we do during nap time since we don't take a nap anymore? Wow we have a lot to learn! Speaking of nap, taking away the nap can be an adjustment for some kids, while others are ready for it. If after a week or two, you notice your child needs that mid-day rest time, please let us know and we can have them nap in Jr K. We don't want them to have a hard time in the afternoons and/or at home in the evenings. We will also swim Wednesday mornings in Kindergarten. Our themes for September will be back to school and fall related.

We also spend time with the school age kids which will be a big change for us. They will join us each afternoon before snack and Wednesdays around lunch time. We hope that your child is looking forward to this last transition of classrooms.



Panthers loved by Michelle, Mariah, Shirley & Ru

It's time to go back to school! The end of August brought us the final weeks of our summer program. We wrapped it up with a splash at Raymond and Alderbrook parks. Although the weather was not always on our side, that didn't stop us from enjoying the water! The last week of August was spent

partying it up indoors with electronic day, an ice cream party and pajama day.

Back to school means a lot of last days and goodbyes as we had quite a few kids here just for the summer. September is a month of big changes and transitions for many of our

students. We will begin the after school program with discussions about the new school year and fall themed activities, starting with pumpkin spice slime and caramel apple making. ALT wishes all of our students the best school year possible!