

EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING CENTER PARENT NEWSLETTER – May/June 2026



PRINCIPAL NEWS

A great big **THANK YOU** to all parents and everyone who helped make this school year SUPER! Thank you for all the cooperation and support!

We have lots of fun events planned for the end of the year. Kindergarten will be going to the Erie Children’s Museum for their field trip, and PreK will host Jungle Terry for an assembly. We will also have movie day, beach day, carnival day, Kindergarten to 1st grade transition field trip, and our school picnic on the last day of school. For movie day, students go to the high school auditorium to watch a children’s movie on the big screen just like going to the movie theater. During beach day, students will participate in lots of beach themed games and activities. If the weather is nice, we will go outside for beach day for many of the activities. For carnival day, we will have carnival themed fun activities and games set up around the building for classes to rotate to throughout the day. Our Kindergarten students will also visit their first-grade elementary schools as part of the T ASD transition activities. Each child will go to their respective first grade building and meet the staff, visit the first-grade classrooms, and get a tour of the building. This will hopefully put some nerves to rest as our students transition to the elementary schools this fall. This will wrap up our year in a fun way.

Again, thank you for working with us all year. A good relationship between school and home makes all the difference in the learning process and bonds that we can form with students at school. We cannot express what your support means to all of us.

PTG

The last PTG meeting will be May 6th at 8:15 am.



The PTG has wrapped up this year’s Read-a-Thon. Certificates and prizes were distributed to students who: read 100 books or more, to the top reader from PreK and Kindergarten, to the PreK and Kindergarten classroom with the most participation, and to all students who participated. The class parties will occur at the teacher’s discretion. This is always a great way for us to motivate students to read and reward families that do this daily as part of their routine. This year we raised more than \$4300. Thank you to all of the students and families who participated.

Thanks to the PTG for all of their help and support. Everyone at the ECLC is grateful for your dedication to the students and staff and all you do throughout the school year. Without your commitment to our students and school, events and activities throughout the year would not be able to happen.

With that said, we will be looking for new members and board members at the start of the next school year. We really need the help to continue to make the ECLC great!

COUNSELOR'S CORNER – Mrs. Nichols



Happy Spring! As the year winds down, I will be visiting all classrooms for one final lesson. Our topics for the month of May will be Self Control for PreK and Career Awareness for Kindergarten.

It has been a pleasure working with your children this school year. If there is anything I can do to assist between now and the end of the year, including any types of community referrals needed for the summer months, please reach out to me.

MUSIC NOTES – Miss H

I can't believe how fast this school year has gone by! We had a great year in the music room. Kindergarten students will finish up learning about the families in the orchestra and musical notation. Ask them about what they know and you might be surprised at how well they remember things. The PreK students had their concert today (April 30th)! They worked really hard to prepare and were excited to show off what they learned! They will conclude the year with cooperative games and activities, as well as a few more instruments. Have a great summer!



THE PULSE ON PE – Mrs. Tridico



This month in Physical Education, students have been building skills and confidence through a variety of fun and engaging activities. They've enjoyed riding balance bikes, practicing their overhand throwing, and traversing the monkey bars to develop strength and coordination. Students also had a blast riding hoppity-hops, alligator crawling through obstacle courses, and challenging themselves by climbing up a rope. Along with these structured activities, we've made time for fun and free play, encouraging creativity, movement, and teamwork. It's been great to see so much enthusiasm and effort from everyone!

HEALTH ROOM HAPPENINGS – Mrs. McAllister

It's hard to believe we are almost done with another year! Here are some last-minute thoughts for the summer:

- If you haven't turned in a school physical or dental exam for your Kindergarten student, please try to get those in.
- If you have a student in Prekindergarten, he or she will be needing a physical exam and dental exam for next year. Papers will be sent home about this.
- If your student has medications, including inhalers at school, please pick them up before the end of the year.
- If your student is in PreK and needs immunizations for Kindergarten, please get those scheduled. Students cannot attend the first day of school without the required immunizations.
- Have a great summer with your kiddos! Help them stay healthy by using sunscreen, wearing helmets, limiting screen time, and hydrating with lots of water.



Reminder: No flip flops or slides at school. Shoes must have backs. This is a safety issue at school.

IMPORTANT DATES

May 1	NO SCHOOL for Students
May 4-8	Teacher Appreciation Week
May 6	PTG @ 8:15 am
May 12	DIBELS in Kindergarten
May 14-15	PALS in PreK
May 15	PreK Gray Day
May 22	PreK Gold/Silver Day
May 25	NO SCHOOL – Memorial Day
May 27	Beach Day
May 28	Kdg. to 1 st Grade Transition Field Trip (Information will be sent home prior to this date so you know what school your child will be attending.)
May 29	Movie Day
June 1	Carnival Day
June 2	Kindergarten to Erie Children's Museum
	Jungle Terry Assembly for PreK
June 5	School Picnic at lunchtime

NO SCHOOL – MAY 1st or MAY 25th
STUDENTS LAST DAY – JUNE 5th
(June 4th Last Day for PreK PM)



Have a safe and enjoyable summer vacation!!