



May Newsletter 2010

Creating and nurturing early childhood development;
providing high-quality, affordable care
for the children of Aspen and the Roaring Fork Valley.

Classroom Corner

Toddler I: Stop by and see our new play gym/loft. The toddlers can climb stairs, crawl through the tunnel, walk on the carpet platform and look out into our play yard, then walk down the ramp. They are having so much fun!

Preschool is planning summer activities including swimming on Tuesdays, and programs at ACES.

Pre-K is also working on their summer calendar. Swimming lessons will be Fridays instead of Tuesdays this year, and they will also be visiting ACES on Mondays.

IMPORTANT DATES

MAY IS THE MONTH OF THE YOUNG CHILD IN ASPEN

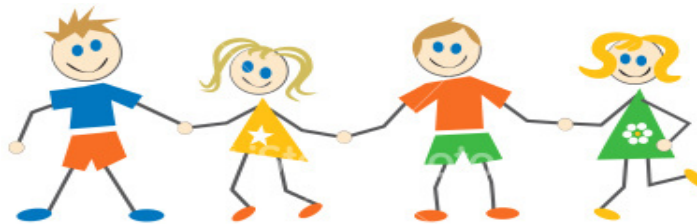
Parent / Teacher Conferences:

- **Infant Room** Thurs. May 13 2:00 - 5:00pm
- **Toddler I** Mon. & Fri. May 10 & 14, 8:00 - 10:00am
- **Toddler II** Tues. & Thurs. May 11 & 13, 8:30 - 1:00pm
- **Pre-School** Tuesday May 18 8:30 - 4:30pm

• **PreK Graduation** Friday May 28 4:30 p.m.

• **RFK Closed** Memorial Day May 31

**JUNE – ROARING FORK KIDS CLOSED
FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 7 - JUNE 11.**



Planned Events by Kids First:

Family Community Awareness Event
Tuesday May 18 5:30 - 7:30 PM
Children's Parade Friday May 21 10:00 AM

The Family Community Awareness Event is a planned Dinner at the Yellow Brick Building. All of the different children's programs throughout the valley are invited and are planning to bring food items to share. We will keep you updated about this event and will be asking each of our families to bring soup or salads for 10 people. There are sign up sheets in each classroom. Other programs will be bringing different food items. Please plan to attend, and show Kids First and the City of Aspen how much we appreciate their support and commitment to our young children.

Food will be set up outside near the playground from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m., so plan to help yourself and bring a blanket. There will be childcare volunteers supervising the children whose parents choose to listen to the speakers. We hope most of you plan to attend.

THANK YOU TO PARENTS

A special thank you to **Maggie McDade** and **Lani Shaw** for helping the PreK teachers clean the classroom on Clean Up Day. Toddler II teachers and children would like to give a special thank you to **Simone Grogan** for her special treats!

As always, a big "thank you" to our hard working **Fund Raising Committee:**
Sara Haneman,
Connie Holcomb,
Kim Estock, Lenor Leeds,
and Heather Compton!

Happy Birthday . . .

Toddler I:
Angelina Bradley 5/7
Stephany Valdez 5/7

Preschool:
Amelia Sirull 5/16
Josephine Bradley 5/17

Staff:
Elizabeth (Betty)
Morales 5/23

We believe children learn best through hands-on experiences within nature, their community, home and school.
Let us enhance your child's most precious year.