Every classroom has been doing very exciting spring activities so make sure to check out what the children are creating!

Teacher Appreciation Week is next week, May 6th-May 10th! There is still time to donate to help us celebrate our wonderful teachers all week!

Join us Tuesday, May 14th from 5:30-7:00pm for our Spring Carnival! Much fun to be had by all.

As a reminder, if your child will not be joining us for the summer session, but will be returning in the Fall, the holding fee of $150 is due Friday, May 24th.

Ms. Lauren will be out of the office after May 10th on her maternity leave. She will out throughout the summer and will be returning in September.

Enjoy the sunshine,
Tonya Rivera
Executive Director
**Sparrows**

Happy Spring! Everything is blooming and growing. The leaves are on the trees. We are getting very good at walking, so we will be taking more walks around campus. We will be doing some planting and discussing the changes in the weather.

It can be very difficult to convince a toddler that we do not need snow pants and boots, and that short sleeves are okay. I will be scheduling family/teacher conferences in the middle of May. We say goodbye to Henry, as his family starts the next adventure of their lives.

Please be sure to apply sunscreen first thing in the morning. Happy Cinco de Mayo (May 5th) and Happy Mother’s Day (May 12th).

Thank you,
Ms. Kelly, Ms. Louise, & Ms. Rebecca

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**Chickadees**

We had a lot of fun doing our projects for the “Week of the Young Child”. A special thank you to Gus’s mom for bringing their family dog Otis in for a visit and Aurora’s mom for reading a special story she wrote to the children. It is always nice to have families share their time with us!

In May we will be busy making special gifts for our mom’s, continuing our spring themes and celebrating our May birthdays. Hannah on May 6th, Gus on May 18th, Aurora on May 27th and Anais on May 29th! Happy 3rd Birthday to you all!

Also in May the Chickadees are responsible for the bulletin board in the front hallway. Be sure to stop by and see what your child helped to create. We are having fun working on it. Let’s hope the weather continues getting nicer, so that we can spend more time outdoors. As always, please be sure your child has the proper outdoor clothing.

Thank you,
Ms. Chris, Ms. Teá, & Ms. Emily

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**Swans**

Our Swan class has really come a long way since the beginning of the school year. It is hard to believe we are now heading into the month of May and sadly we start our goodbyes. We wish Maddie and Nate a bittersweet farewell as they enter into a new routine for their summer months.

As we move through the month of May, we will continue to watch our flower and green bean seeds grow. At some point we will send them home, but in the mean time, feel free to check them out by the windows.

Flowers, bugs, pond life and dinosaurs will all be highlighted throughout this month. We look forward to moving, learning and growing. Please be on the look out for conference sign-ups. Ms. Sarah will be available May 21st and 23rd in the afternoons. Some other important dates to remember are May 3rd for early dismissal, May 14th for the evening Spring Carnival and May 27th for our closing to observe Memorial Day.

We also want to wish all you wonderful moms a very Happy Mother’s Day. You are all fantastic!

Happy Spring!
Ms. Sarah, Ms. Michelle & Ms. Keeshia

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**Doves**

Hello Dove Families!

April flew by, but we had fun. We have learned about the butterfly life cycle and had a great time “being” butterflies. We have loved our flower and plant shop as well as sorting eggs. The children enjoyed the bunny nursery and learning about baby chicks. We are wrapping up this month with learning about pond animals. Always feel free to stop in and check out what we have going on in our room!

Going into May we will be learning about Hawaii. This week is really fun and we have many books from Hawaii to share with the children. The next week will be rainforest week. Our room will transform again into a rainforest and we will visit the greenhouse during this week. After rainforest we will be diving into a week about birds. We are excited to introduce a few different types of birds to the children.

To wrap up the month of May we will be exploring outer space. We will be learning about the planets and the stars.

Thank you to everyone who had a chance to join us for circle time!

Have a wonderful month!
Ms. Sara, Ms. Christina, & Ms. Tammy
**Hummingbirds**

In May we will be working on our Mother’s Day gifts and doing a lot of springtime activities. Now that the weather is getting warmer, it is very important for our children to drink water especially when being active outdoors. Please remember to bring in your child’s water bottle. Also, please check your child’s sunscreen as well as their tubs to make sure they have extra clothes appropriate for the weather. It’s getting to be that time of year.

We would like to wish Irene and Sabina a very Happy Birthday. They will be turning 4 in May!

Thank you to our families and to Ms. Chrissi for the giant boxes for our classroom cars, as well as to Emma’s family for the wrapping paper for the cars!

Ms. Gabe, Ms. Michele & Ms. Barb

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**Puffins**

The Puffins are so excited having baby chicks in their room. Everyone that enters is escorted by someone to see them. The children are very gentle and caring when they pet the chicks.

In May we will be working on Mother’s Day gifts, planting flowers and doing a unit on construction. The Puffin room will be a hard hat zone.

We are enjoying the beautiful weather and spending more time on the playground. Please make sure your child has the proper footwear for outdoor play (closed toe and heal footwear).

Happy Birthday to Henry DuBord. He will be turning 4 in May.

Happy Spring!
Ms. Claire, Ms. Katie & Ms. Toni

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**Flamingos**

Our Flamingo class has had lots of fun this April and we are looking forward to May! We will be celebrating all the wonderful mommies for all that they do. Then we will be studying life cycles. Hopefully, we will even have baby chicks in the classroom! The class has done a wonderful job learning sight words and color words. We love to see them learn!

Can you believe graduation is next month?! We are practicing our songs and they can’t wait to perform them for all the families.

Happy Spring!
Ms. Robyn & Ms. Jamie

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**Peacocks**

Hello May and welcome beautiful weather! April was a busy month full of fun. In our Art Study, we studied various artists and created masterpieces. Students made self-portraits and paintings on canvas. We celebrated the week of the young child and looked for signs of spring. The class observed weather changes, buds on trees and grass growing. The daffodils in our class garden have already bloomed.

In May, we will be exploring Classic Fairytale and gardening. As the weather gets warmer, we will be growing our own vegetables and planting flowers. We also look forward to celebrating our Mother’s and all the wonderful things they do for us.

The last family/teacher conferences are May 21st-23rd. A sign up sheet will be in the classroom. I look forward to meeting with you and appreciate your continued support.

Happy Birthday to Bersu (12th), Ana (12th) and Atticus (24th). They will all be turning 5 in May!

Ms. Carolyn will be gone for two weeks starting May 6th. Ms. Meg-O will be working Ms. Carolyn’s shift during this time.

Happy Spring!
Ms. Julie & Ms. Carolyn
Happy Birthday
Tonya Rivera (4)
Gabe Kopansky (11)
Chrissi Briar (11)
Rebecca R. (14)
Kelly Barton (16)
Christina Rui (20)
Heather Jones (23)

REMINDER:
CPS will be CLOSING at 1:00 pm on Friday, May 3rd, for staff training and development. Pick-up by 12:50 pm. Please make plans for alternate care for that afternoon.

REMINDER:
School year tuition must be paid in full before your child can start Summer Session.

Attention BU Students
When registering at CPS last Spring you were given the option of enrolling your child for 9 months or 10 months. If you are enrolled for the 9 month schedule, your last day is Friday, May 31st. There is no Block Grant money available for summer.

REMINDER:
May 6th-May 10th is Teacher Appreciation Week.

REMINDER:
CPS will be CLOSED on Monday, May 27th in observance of Memorial Day.

Registration Packets Due:
Summer session packets were due April 17th. If you have not turned in your packet please do so.

Fall packets will be going out within the next few weeks.

Fall holding fee of $150 is due Friday, May 24th, if your child won’t be joining us for the summer session.

Spring Carnival will be held on Tuesday, May 14th from 5:30 – 7:00 pm
- Ice Cream Works! Truck
- Baxter the Bearcat
- Scholastic Book Fair
- Binghamton Devils Mascot
- And much more fun!