



# NEW HORIZONS COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL THREE'S APRIL MONTHLY CALENDAR



**FINE MOTOR:** During the month of April your child will be working on their fine motor skills by creating a self portrait of themselves for their portfolio. They will also be practicing writing their name and cutting out different art projects.

**LANGUAGE:** Language development will include story comprehension. We will be reviewing our concepts of print - author, illustrator and title. During story time we will be reviewing the proper way to handle our books. The colors for this month are yellow, blue, green and purple.

**MATHEMATICS:** Students will be comparing shortest to longest, ordering by lengths, and ordering by size and patterns. Tall, taller, tallest. Big, bigger, biggest. The shape for this month is the triangle.

**SOCIAL/SCIENCE:** During the month of April we will be discussing plants & insects. As part of our integrated curriculum we will be discussing the environment and recycling along with our Earth Day Celebration. The students will also be discussing "Life on the Farm".



## APRIL 2014



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Life on the Farm – Animals</b> <b>Letter F</b> 		1	2  Class Picture Day-Wear your Green New Horizons t-shirt	3	4
<b>Insects – Ants and Bees</b> <b>Letter B</b> 	7	8	9	10	11
<b>Earth Day – Our Environment</b> <b>Going Green</b> <b>Letter E</b> 	14	15	16	17  Pizza Day Wear your green shirt	18
<b>How Plants Grow</b> <b>Letter U</b> 	21	22  Play Unplugged 9:30-11:30	23	24	25
<b>Magnets, Science Experiments</b> 	28	29	30		



## Play Unplugged

APRIL 22, 2014

Tuesday, April 22nd from  
9:30 to 11:30 we will be having our annual  
Earth Day Celebration.

The whole Pre-school will be celebrating Earth Day by participating in different activities that will be set up outside on our playground. This year our students will enjoy a fun filled day with hands-on games, discovery stations and a recycled material play environment promoting the importance of open play and creativity. We hope you can join us for a fun filled morning.

If you are available to help with the morning activities please see your child's teacher.



## MEDICATION NOTICE

New Horizons is prohibited from dispensing any non-prescription medication of any kind (this includes over the counter drugs such as Aspirin, Tylenol, cough medicine, vitamins, lotions, insect repellents, etc.) If your doctor recommends an over the counter medication for your child we must have a prescription from your child's doctor.

In order for our staff to dispense any prescription medication, a parent must sign a New Horizon's consent form. The medication consent forms are available from your child's teacher. All medication must remain in the original container showing a pharmacist's label that indicates the child's name, type and date of prescribed medication, amount and times of dosage. You may wish to check with your physician regarding long-term dosage for your child's prescription so that you will be solely responsible for administering your child's medication in the morning and evening.

Do not put medication in your child's lunch box! It must be given to a staff member to be placed in a lock-box out of the children's reach.



## Class Pictures April 2nd

Class Pictures are a great way to remember your child's classmates, and we know you'll be sure to send your child with a special smile on. Unfortunately, we are unable to schedule re-takes, so it's important that your child attend on the designated day. **Preschoolers whose schedule does not include the day of the photo session should switch a day of attendance that week so he or she can be included in the picture.**

**DRESS CODE:** This year we are requiring all students to wear their:

**"Green New Horizons t-shirt"!**

Because this is a class picture we would like all our students to be in our New Horizons Green t-shirt. Those students not wearing the Green New Horizons t-shirt will be given a new shirt and parents accounts will be billed.



## Children's Friendships

Studies have found that some friendships formed in the early years of childhood are second only to family relationships in importance. From such findings comes a heightened awareness of the social and emotional significance of friendships when children are young. Enrollment in a preschool program offers children social experiences that might not be available to them in relationships with adults or siblings.

Interaction with and acceptance by peers have long-term effects on a child's life. Preschoolers develop social competence in three main areas: initiating interactions, maintaining ongoing relationships, and solving conflicts with other children.

Early childhood educators value the mastery of skills that lead to social competence. We encourage your children to express opinions and ideas, as well as to respect others, offering them many opportunities to negotiate and compromise within the structure of our program.



## PRE K MOVING UP REMINDER

Our annual Pre-Kindergarten Moving Up celebration will be held here at New Horizons. We are beginning to prepare for the event and are excited to have everyone share in our transition from Pre K to Kindergarten.

## CELEBRATION SCHEDULE: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4TH, 2014

**PRE K C – Ms. Michelle & Ms. Devika**  
9:00 am to 10:00 am

**PRE K A – Ms. Diana & Ms. Erin**  
11:00 am to 12 noon

**PRE K B – Ms. Charlene & Ms. Heather**  
2:30 pm to 3:30 pm

Following the ceremony, we invite you to join us for refreshments. We encourage you to make this a special day and take your child home after the program. Students are expected to arrive at least 30 minutes before their program starts.

## ATTENDANCE REMINDER:

In order for a VPK student to participate in our Moving Up Ceremony on June 4th, students must attend school on June 2nd, 3rd, 4th. Diplomas, Progress Reports and Portfolios will be handed out at the end of the program on June 4th. We will be sending home more details soon.

**DRESS CODE:** This year our students will be wearing a special New Horizons T-shirt with long jeans or a jeans skirt. In order for your child to participate in the program, you will have to purchase the T-shirt at a cost of \$6.00. A DVD of your child's year will also be on sale for \$10.00. Order forms will be sent home sometime in April.