



NEW HORIZONS COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL FREE VOLUNTARY PRE KINDERGARTEN APRIL MONTHLY CALENDAR



FINE MOTOR: During the Month of April our Pre K students will continue to work on their fine motor skills by cutting and writing their names. As part of our Artist week the students will be painting a self portrait for their portfolios. As we prepare for Kindergarten the students will be reviewing all the skills they have accomplished this year

GROSS MOTOR: We will be fine tuning our gross motor skills by walking on a line and skipping on the playground.

LANGUAGE: During our language curriculum we will continue with story comprehension. After we have read a story we will be encouraging class participation with open-ended questions to help encourage comprehension and story recall. As we get ready for Kindergarten we will continue with our Letter Recognition and reviewing our lower case letters.

MATHEMATICS: As part of our Math Experience we will be comparing lengths, heights, shortest to longest, ordering by lengths, ordering by events, size and patterns. We will be combining, separating and working on equal groups. The students will also be working with money.

SOCIAL/SCIENCE: In our social studies we will be learning about plants. In keeping with our Earth Day Celebration we will be studying about our environment and how we can be green friendly. During Art Week the students will be introduced to different types of art materials and learn about many of our famous artist.



APRIL 2014



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Money—pennies, nickels, dimes Letter M 		1	2  Class Picture Day -Wear your Green New Horizons t-shirt	3	4
World of Art-Artist—types of art medium (chalk, paint, clay) Picasso, Monet Letter W 	7	8	9	10	11
The Environment-Going Green. Letter E 	14	15	16	17  Skate & Pizza Wear your green shirt 	18 SCHOOL CLOSED
Plants and How They Grow. Letter U 	21	22  Play Unplugged 9:30-11:30	23	24	25
Ocean Life Letter O 	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.