

PEEK THROUGH THE FENCE

Welcome to Tiny Tots!! We are so excited to have you join our preschool program family.

This year the Tiny Tots are going to explore the many adventures that you can "Peek Through The Fence" into learning.

August and September we will be having fun down on the farm. We will be exploring cows, ducks, and animals down on the farm.

Please note our first In-House Field Trip visitor: The Clean Hands Program will be visiting our classes to promote healthy washing habits.

Coming Soon!!!

The City of Lafayette is currently working on improving and upgrading our playground. We received a grant from CDPHE Recycling Incentive Grant to replace the surfacing with pour-in-place materials. This is made with seventy-one thousand pounds of recycled Colorado tires. Along with the new surfacing, we will be adding cool new features to our already exciting equipment. We are anticipating the completion of the project to be done the second week of September. In the mean time, our program will be utilizing the City park fields, nature walks, and fun & games in the gym.

THE LITTLE SMILE

What a wonderful thing a little smile can do
It can make you happy when you're a little blue
It can add a little warmth to a saddened heart
It can make you whole when you're a little torn apart
It can add a little sweet to a little sour
It can make someone feel, a little power
It can make a day just a little bit brighter
It can make your heart a little bit lighter
It can bring a little laughter, and a little joy
It can bring a little happiness to a little girl or boy
Either from a little baby or someone big and tall
A smile isn't something that is little at all

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- In-House Field Trip: Clean Hands Program: 8/28/12
- Preschool Payment Due for September: 9/1/12
- Recreation Center CLOSED: Monday, September 3, 2012 in honor of Labor Day
- Scholastic Book OrdersDue: September 7
- In-House Special event: Lafayette Lions Club / Colorado Kidsight FREE Vision screening: 9/25/12; see page 3 for more information

SNACKS

- Please provide a nutritional snack and
 <u>WATER BOTTLE</u>
 to encourage independence each day
 for your child.
- Please provide an <u>ICE PACK</u> if you are sending any dairy products.



LEARNING ADVENTURES

LITERACY

- Click, Clack Moo Cows That Type
- Cows That Went Oink
- Hickory, Dickory Dock
- Inside A Barn In The Country

FINE MOTOR

- Farm animal beading
- Puzzles
- Tweezers' sorting
- Cereal lacing

MATH

- Matching cows
- Egg numbering
- Pair up socks
- Roll the dice

<u>CIRCLE-</u> TIME FUN

- Cows That Type?
- If your name is?
- Sequencing a sunrise
- What lives in a barn?

If your child will be out sick or not in class for any reason, please let us know. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Kathy Apjoke at 303-665-0469 or at



<u>DRAMATIC</u> PLAY

- Farmers Market
- Dress-up like a farmer

<u>ART</u>



- Tractor roll placemats
- Crumple art
- Free art
- Just duckie

KIDS IN THE KITCHEN

Chick Cuisine

SCIENCE

- Play dough
- Sounds on the farm
- Soft? or Hard?
- What do you see?

<u>MOVEMENT</u>

- Asleep, asleep awake!
- Jump on a letter
- Parachute fun

<u>GYM TIME</u>

- Gym time is every Wednesday and/or Thursday
- Please wear tennis shoes on these days!

<u>SONGS</u>

- Old Mc Donald Had A Farm
- Sun, moon and stars
- B.I.N.G.O.
- Hickory, Dickory Dock

SENSORY AND WATER TABLE

- Duckies in the water
- Search for animals
- How many eggs?

<u>HEADLINER</u> <u>INFORMATION</u> <u>CENTER</u>

Is your child having a birthday?

In advance, check with the teachers to plan a special day. You may bring in a special snack for the class to celebrate this event.

Shoe Poem

Sandals are cute. Crocs are cool.

Swim shoes are neat For a backyard pool! But . . .

When coming to school, Where we jump and run, Gym shoes, please, For safety and fun!

(Please keep this poem in mind when sending your child to school!)



What is KidSight?

KidSight is a <u>free</u> vision-screening program where Lions Club volunteers throughout Colorado conduct vision-screening sessions at preschools and other early childhood centers.

The program is designed for children ages three through five, but the technology can be used to screen children as young as one.

How Much Does This Cost?

The screening is **FREE**, thanks to the support and volunteer efforts of the Lions of Colorado.

How is Vision Screening Done?

It is as simple as having your child's picture taken. Local Lions Club volunteers will use either the MTI PhotoScreener or the Welch Allyn SureSight, both state-of-the-art vision screening devices which are 85-90% accurate in detecting vision problems. It takes only moments per child, requires no preparation or medication, and is totally painless. Parents must complete a consent form prior to the screening.

The KidSight screening program detects these vision problems in children:

Nearsightedness

Farsightedness

Astigmatism

Strabismus (misaligned eyes)

Anisometropia (unequal refractive power)

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