



ERDFEST is coming - Saturday, May 19, 2 to 5!

Save the date for an afternoon of fun, games, food, face painting, crafts, music, entertainment and raffle baskets. Something for everyone! All proceeds support scholarships and programs at Erdman. See you there.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Thursday & Friday, May 10 & 11: Mother's Day celebrations – see class calendar on next page
- Farm and beach visits – see next page for class dates
- May 15: Tuition Due
- Tuesday, May 15 & Wednesday, May 16: Audubon beach workshops for Fours classes here at Erdman.
- Monday, May 21: Year End assessment summaries in your child's cubby.
- Monday, May 28: NO SCHOOL
- Thursday, May 31 @ 4 pm: ALL SCHOOL FAMILY EVENT: All Hands Drumming, on the playground. Sing, dance, make music!
- Monday, June 4: Stay & Play last day
- Wednesday, June 6: Explorers, Lunch Bunch and Late Pick Up last day
- Friday, June 8: Early Drop off last day
- June 15: First tuition payment due for 2018-19 school year

Class specific activities listed
on next page.

CLASS ACTIVITIES

A month full of family, community, life science and creative activities! All classes are busy creating special Mother's Day surprises. We will be using measuring and counting skills while we bake for Moms. As the weather warms up we'll explore flowers, bugs, caterpillars, butterflies and life cycles. The Fours will prepare for their beach visit with a hands-on workshop conducted by the Mass Audubon Society and the Threes will explore life on the farm during their visit to Weir River Farm.

Fertile eggs from UConn via Plymouth County 4H went into our incubator on Tuesday, April 24. Hatching time is about 3 weeks and we will be looking for homes for our chicks by Memorial Day. Please let us know if you would like to raise some chickens! Debby has all the info you will need. Unfortunately, we are not able to reschedule our Little Red Hen story time due to instructor illness.

Our caterpillars arrived last week and will hatch into beautiful painted lady butterflies. We'll release them in the Memorial Garden. We will end the year enjoying favorite activities and the new areas in our Outdoor Classroom.

REMINDERS

The calendar may say spring but it can still be chilly and muddy on the playground! **We LOVE mud and the exciting explorations that come with it.** A warm coat and BOOTS are a must and hats/mittens may still be needed. When it gets warmer, please make sure your child is wearing socks and sneakers. Slides, thong sandals and flip-flops are very dangerous when climbing or running. Socks will keep the sand from irritating your child's feet. Sunscreen and bug spray should be applied before your child comes to school on hot, sunny days.

2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR

4 Day 4s

- Friday, May 11 @ 11 Mother's Day Celebration
- Tuesday, May 22 @ 9 Beach Trip meet at Lighthouse Beach
- Friday, June 8 @ 11 Climb Lawson Tower and @ 11:30 Ice Cream Social

MTTH 4s

- Thursday, May 10 @ 11 Mother's Day Celebration
- Monday, May 21 @ 9 Beach Trip meet at Lighthouse Beach
- Thursday, June 7 @ 11 Climb Lawson Tower and @ 11:30 Ice Cream Social

MWF 4s

- Friday, May 11 @ 11 Mother's Day Celebration
- Monday, May 21 @ 9 Beach Trip meet at Lighthouse Beach
- Friday, June 8 @ 10:30 Climb Lawson Tower and @ 11:30 Ice Cream Social

MWF PM 3s

- Friday, May 11 @ 1:15 meet at Weir River Farm/ Mother's Day Celebration to follow
- Friday, June 8 @ 12:30 Ice Cream Social. Class at 1:00.

MTTH 3s

- Thursday, May 10 @ 9:15 meet at Weir River Farm and @ 11 Mother's Day Celebration at Erdman
- Thursday, June 7 @ 11:30 Ice Cream Social

WF 3s

- Friday, May 11 @ 9:15 Meet at Weir River Farm and @ 11 Mother's Day Celebration at Erdman
- Friday, June 8 @ 11:30 Ice Cream Social

We currently have several openings for Threes and Fours for September. Please encourage your friends to call for information and a visit if they are thinking about preschool next fall. Your referrals are the best references we could ever hope for! Thank you so much!

If you have special concerns about your child that you would like to discuss with next year's teachers please speak with Debby as soon as possible.

Our [Extended Day Options](#) & [Enrichment](#) program registration is OPEN! Information and registration forms were put in cubbies and emailed. Be sure to reserve your spot for next year as soon as possible. Registration is on a first come, first serve basis.

ASSESSMENTS

During the week of May 21 you will receive a year end **Summary Report** describing your child's progress and skills in the 7 developmental domains that are part of the Work Sampling System: Personal & Social Development, Language & Literacy, Mathematical Thinking, Scientific Thinking, Social Studies, the Arts and Physical Development. The summary report focuses on individual strengths and characteristics. You are welcome to arrange a conference with your teachers if you have questions but we do not schedule formal conferences at this time.

ERDMAN SUMMER PROGRAM

Join the fun this summer! Summer program information is available in the office. Registration is open. See Patti with questions.

PAC'S HELPING HANDS

Thank you for supporting our Helping Hands program and for being Lunch Bunch volunteers. We appreciate your help and generosity very much! Shipshape day thanks

THANK YOU....to Nona's for hosting our Scoop-a-thon...to the Kellys, Sharpes, Makaitis's, Murthys, Nees, Donovans, Smiths, Brodericks and Keenans for cleaning up our playground, raking up the wood chips and adding compost to our planting beds on **Shipshape Day!** We would love old metal spoons, pots and pans etc. to add to our collection in the outdoor kitchen. We LOVE to "COOK"!

Please watch your email this month for our end of the year parent survey. Your thoughts, suggestions and opinions are very important to us as we plan for the year ahead. As always feel free to talk with me about anything that is on your mind. Thank you!

All of us at Erdman extend our thanks to all of you for the love and support you have given to your children and the school this year. You make this school a very special place for children to learn and grow. Thank you so very much! Have a wonderful summer!! - Debby



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