

LITTLE RASCALS' MAY 2012 NEWSLETTER

Even though we have had a pretty mild winter, you know spring has arrived by observing our Little Rascals in action! Baseball is the popular large motor activity they have chosen to participate in; the art area is bursting with bright pastel colors and creativity; the dramatic group is eager to present their plays or musical talents to their friends; and the science area is full of the fun concoction messiness the children produce in the sensory table!

Sensory activities are another way of providing children a different way of meaningful learning. Some children learn best by participating in hands-on activities. As the children are playing in the sensory table, we talk about the how's and why's of the interactions of combinations. For example, one of the sensory table experiences they have enjoyed recently is the combination of one box of cornstarch and one can of shaving cream. They described it as fluffy, soft, and moldable, and it smells good! The children (as well as some parents) enjoy and look forward to what crazy and odd activity will be in the sensory table for them to experiment with.

Throughout the months of May and June, watch for some dirt and perhaps some worms in the science area and other fun messiness; more colorful activities in the art area; and more ball activities in the large motor area. Spring is in the air and the children are ready for running and being loud and silly!

Important dates:

- May 9: Muffins with Mom (and/or other special ladies)
- May 11: Early dismissal
- May 28: Happy Memorial Day (ECCC WILL BE CLOSED)
- June 13: Donuts with Dad (and/or other special men)
- June 13: Last day of school for E-town
- June 14: ECCC Summer Camp begins

