# NEWS YOU CAN USE

Week of February 17, 2025

## Site Happenings

### **Dear Parent or Guardian:**

The **peak of the cold and flu season** is upon us. To prevent widespread flu in the school, we recommend that your child stay home from school if experiencing flu or cold symptoms. To decide whether to send your child to school, please consider the following guidelines:

# Consider keeping your child at home for an extra day of rest and observation if he or she has any of the following symptoms:

•Very stuffy or runny nose and/or cough •Mild sore throat (no fever, no known exposure

> to strep) •Headache •Stomachache

# Please Keep your child at home for treatment and observation if he or she has any of these symptoms:

•Fever (greater than 100 degrees and your child may return to school only after his or her temperature has been consistently below 100 degrees, by mouth, for a minimum of 24 hours) •Vomiting (even once)

•Diarrhea

•Chills

•General malaise or feelings of fatigue, discomfort, weakness or muscle aches •Frequent congested (wet) or croupy cough

### Springhill Head Start (616)794-9894

### **Calendar of Events**



Presidential Holiday Mon, Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> NO SCHOOL

Parent Café and Kindergarten Transition Event Thurs Feb 20<sup>th</sup> Vision Board Party & Kindergarten Transition Info 4-5pm

## Reminders

# A friendly reminder if your child is going to be late or absent

- Please call to let us know at least 15 minutes before start time.
- If your child is absent due to illness, please state the symptom(s) (Ex. Runny nose, cough, fever, stomachache
- If your child is going to be absent for a few days or more for any reason, please notify us as soon as possible.



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### Vaccines for Young Children

Vaccines help prevent disease. Babies born in the United States may have their first vaccines right after birth. Future vaccines are given at well child check-ups with your child's doctor or at a local health department. Vaccines are needed for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) visits or when children enroll in school.

Vaccines are also called immunizations. They are often given as injections with a needle, also called shots. Vaccines are either given as a single dose or as many doses given over time. The full number of doses for each vaccine must be given for the vaccine to protect your child from the disease.

If your child misses a shot, you don't need to start over. Just go back to your child's doctor for the next shot. Children with certain medical problems or who travel outside of the United States may need more vaccines.

You will get more information about each vaccine when it is being given to your child. Talk with your child's doctor if you have questions.

### Help Your Child Succeed in Preschool and Kindergarten

Build the Habit of Good Attendance

DID YOU KNOW...

Showing up on time every day is important to your child's success and learning from preschool forward.

### WHAT YOU CAN DO

Share ideas with other parents for getting to school on time.

Visit Attendance Works at www.attendanceworks.org for free downloadable resources and tools!

# SUCCESS BASICS

Five fun, easy, and powerful ways to help your child grow smarter. Cinco maneras divertidas, fáciles y poderosas para ayudar a su hijo(a) a crecer más inteligente.

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Babies and toddlers thrive when their world feels loving, safe, and predictable. Respond with smiles, words, and touch to help them see, hear, and feel your love. You will help them develop a sense of security and self control. Los bebés y los niños prosperan cuando su mundo se siente amante, seguro y predecible. Responda con sonrisas, palabras y toques para ayudarles a ver, oír y sentir su amor. Usted les ayudará a desarrollar un sentido de seguridad y auto control.

Babies learn language from the moment they are born. Respond to their sounds, and later, their words. Connect through eye contact and a loving tone of voice, while pointing to help them know what you are talking about. Los bebés aprenden el lenguaje desde el momento en que nacen. Responda a sus sonidos, y más adelante a sus palabras. Conéctese a través del contacto visual y un tono de voz amante, mientras señala para ayudarles a entender de qué les está hablando.

Every child's brain is wired for math. Talk about numbers, shapes, patterns, and comparisons as you go about your routines together. Watch your child learn to love math. El cerebro de cada niño(a) está conectado para las matemáticas. Hable acerca de números, formas, patrones y comparaciones mientras realizan sus rutinas juntos. Observe a su hijo(a) aprender a amar las matemáticas.

Babies are like scientists who love making discoveries. Watch to see what interests your child, then encourage their curiosity and help them learn when they play and explore. Los bebés son como científicos que aman hacer descubrimientos. Observe para ver qué le interesa a su hijo(a), y entonces incentive su curiosidad y ayúdeles a aprender mientras juegan y exploran.

Reading turns kids into confident thinkers. Make books a regular part of your relationship from the very beginning. With infants, point at the pictures and speak with excitement. With toddlers, just make it fun. La lectura convierte a sus hijos en pensadores confiados. Haga de los libros una parte regular de su relación desde el mismo comienzo. Cuando sean bebés, señale a las figuras y hable con entusiasmo. Cuando sean niños pequeños, simplemente hágalo divertido.



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