

# DURANT ROAD PRESCHOOL

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Kaelynn counts how many children are on the school bus

## **PRESCHOOL**

### ***All About Me Unit***

There isn't a better time to learn about children and their families than in our "All About Me" unit. Our art area is a busy place! Watch for body tracings, hand and foot print murals, paper plate faces and silhouettes.

We love to graph! We'll graph the number of boys versus the number of girls, hair color, eye color, and the number of family members. We'll make a growth chart and measure our height and weight.

In language, our preschoolers will make "me books" by cutting out pictures of favorite foods, pets, family members, houses and cars. We'll talk all about our families. ***Please bring in family photos for our family bulletin board!***

Our budding architects, designers, and builders will keep our block area lively building houses, neighborhoods, schools, and roads. They'll build buildings as tall as they are and count how many blocks are used to determine their height.

We have some interesting activities planned for the science and discovery area. The children will make hand prints and look at all the lines and skin patterns. We'll record our voices and listen to them. "Is that really me?"

We'll carry our "All About Me" activities to our sensory tables. The children will wash the plastic babies and dishes and even make hand prints in the sand! Now you know why we're so tired at the end of the day!



### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

- 6 Labor Day – CLOSED
- 7 Computer Classes resume
- 10 Caring & Sharing Day
- 13 Museum Visit
- 17 Grandparent Visiting Day
- 24 School Picture Day – all classes

### **Spirit Week**

- 13 Mismatch Day
- 14 Durant Road Preschool T-Shirt Day
- 15 Pajama Day
- 16 Wacky Hat Day
- 17 Crazy Hair Day

### ***Our Specials***

<b><i>Monday</i></b>	<b><i>Tuesday</i></b>	<b><i>Wednesday</i></b>	<b><i>Friday</i></b>
Tumblin' Tots	Computer Class	Spanish Class	Music Class

### **Spanish Class**



Hola! Como estas? This month we will be learning simple Spanish phrases such as:  
 Como te llamas? – What's your name?  
 Como estas?- How are you?  
 Muy Bien!-Very good!  
 Adios Amigo!-Goodbye friend!

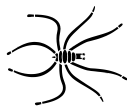
## INFANTS & TODDLERS



William explores the texture of aquarium gravel in the sensory table

Young children learn through their interactions with the world around them. This month, our children will begin learning about themselves and their families. They will begin to see that no one is exactly the same. We'll learn about the parts of the body and gender, celebrate birthdays (including pets), and learn names of family members. ***Be sure we have your family pictures!***

Be on the lookout for foot print collages, washing plastic babies, puppet shows with family member puppets and recording children's voices on the tape recorder. Our dramatic play areas will be stocked with culturally diverse dolls, clothes, shoes, and hats for some interesting play as we learn "All About Me!"



## NC Museum of Natural Science

This month the museum presents, ***The Bugliest Bug.*** So...what is a bug? It really depends on whom you ask.

This month we will meet a group of animals called arthropods. Most people would consider these bugs! The children will meet a variety of "bugs" and learn some interesting facts about each one. *Bring the family to "BugFest" at the NC Museum of Natural Sciences on Saturday, September 11th. Enjoy a family-friendly look at the world of bugs. It's all FREE*



## FOCUS ON LITERACY

### Book of the Month

This month our preschoolers will enjoy reading, ***Bein' with You This Way*** by W. Nikola-Lisa. A little girl enjoys playing with her friends in the park. As they play, they discover that despite people's physical differences – straight hair, curly hair; brown eyes, blue eyes, light skin, dark skin – we are all really the same.

## Music Class



We will be focusing on "All About Me" with songs and fingerplays that celebrate the uniqueness of every child. Listen out for new songs like "A Very Special Friend" and "See My Family".



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

August Feliu	Colin Lusk
Rachel Swinarski	Kamora Rahim
Cornell Holden	Gage Latham
Ayden Davis	Grace Mueller
	Ryan McKenzie