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LAKESIDE

Dates to Remember

May 26/29 Last Day Preschool

May 28 Classroom Cleaning 6:30pm

June 2 Classroom Cleaning 8:30am

June 2 All school social 6pm

August 26 First Day BPS, confirm



Ski to Sea Heroes Parade by bike

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Ms Jenny passing the baton after 28yrs of serving kids and families at Lakeside. Photo by Sam A.

Thank you Ms. Jenny!!!

Three cheers for a wonderful woman who has taught kids at Lakeside for the past 28+ years and found a place for each of them in her heart.

What an honor for her class and their families to be under her tutelage this last year. We wish her all the best into retirement. Thank You.

Summer Play Dates

Mark your calendars to meet up on one or all of these no host park dates.

Trampoline Zone Noon Thurs. June 4	Whatcom Falls Upper Playgnd 1pm Tues. July 21
Squalicum Ck Playgnd 10am Tues. June 9	Boulevard Park 10am Thurs. July 30
Zuanich 10am Fri. June 19	North Shore biking/walking trail, beaches 11am Tues. August 4
Hovander 10am Wed. July 1	Fairhaven Outdoor Cinema: Up 7pm Sat. August 15
Stimpson Trail 11am Tues. July 7	Cornwall Park Spray Park 1pm Wed. August 19
Elizabeth Park Concert 5:30pm Thurs. July 17	Fairhaven Spray Park 1pm Mon. August 24

K Checklist

- Immunizations up to date?
- Personal Information
 - First and last name
 - Address, Phone #
 - Name ten body parts
 - Age and birthday
- Social/Emotional
 - 2-step directions
 - Able to follow routines
 - Self calming
 - Adaptive skills
 - Sharing, adjusting, and cooperating skills
- Language - talk through those books. Why? New words, how do they feel?..
- Literacy skills
 - Read/write name
 - Recognizing words that start with same sound
 - Identify letters
 - Familiarity with parts of a book
 - Writing a story with pictures and letters
 - Discussing a story daily
- Math
 - Count 10-20 objects
 - More/less/same
 - Identify shapes
 - Sort objects



Uma road tripping with Dad.



Trike-a-thon 2015



What a great mix of entertainment at the Trike-a-thon! Stories with Barbara Jean.



Children full of smiles and laughter during the magician's act, what a great sight to see!

Way to show up and support your kids, preschool and alumni family!



Kindergarten Preparedness

Are you moving on to a new stage in your child's life? Or curious about what's ahead after next year's preschool? To the left are some skills that you can work on at home to help your kids prepare for kindergarten per the Bellingham Public Schools.



Estuary Aerobics

Nothing gets kids into yoga and active learning like sea life impersonations. What a cute sight to watch, now you can repeat this at home.

- Squiggle to get your feet stuck in the mud of the estuary as the tide rises.
- Eat like a barnacle. Lay on your back and raise your knees to eat with your feet.
- Crabwalk side to side - eek watch out for the birds overhead and quick, turn over!
- Quack and flap like a duck.
- Stand tall like a heron and quietly move with your long beak, snap a fish out of the stream.



Personal waterfall pool at Padilla Bay

Aqua Exploring

Pick from a wealth of options to continue exploring sea life through the looking glass or by salty touch.

- ✓ Padilla Bay
- ✓ Marine Life Center Touch Tank (Bham)
- ✓ Vancouver Aquarium
- ✓ Seattle Aquarium
- ✓ Woodland Park Zoo
- ✓ Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium



Aquarium options abound



Classroom Cleaning

The final classroom cleanings are Thursday evening, May 29th @ 6:30 and Tuesday morning, June 2nd 8:30.

Roll up your sleeves and get ready to spruce up the classroom for next fall if you have not yet attended a cleaning.

Show up or pay up :) \$30 to opt out of cleaning participation.

Thanks for your help!



What did you see?

The kids were sure excited to explore Padilla Bay! What have you seen exploring the bay as a family?

Keep your eyes peeled for all that the kids are seeing:

- great blue heron
- eel grass
- barnacles
- crab
- clams
- 2 starfish
- octopus
- shark

Marine Life

From ocean books to hermit crab art it's been fun seeing the kids get excited about all things of the sea this spring. The marine unit culminated with an estuary tour at Padilla Bay. "Little Sally", what can you do to help care for the estuary? Here are a few points the learning center taught us:

Leave nature as you find it
Discard any garbage you find
Be gentle with living things

"Remember me and my friends and take good care of the estuary."

-Harry the Heron



Have fun exploring this summer!

Summer Fun Checklist

What's on your list? Any new ideas to try this year?

- Lynden Fair Aug 17-22
- Outdoor Music, Cinema
- Get out on the water
- Head out for a hike
- Beach Play
- Library visit
- Farmers Market
- Explore a new park
- All-comers track meet
- Grow some seeds
- Fly a Kite
- Swim in a pool, in a lake - safety first!
- Camp or read in a tent
- Family picnic
- Playdough
- Sandbox play



Beach Day!

Thank you Teacher Amanda and Teacher Jenny for all your help preparing our children for their future!

Ski to Sea Parade - Honoring Heroes



Lakeside Co-op Bikers taking a breather after the parade route.



Ski to Sea Heroes Parade by bike. Way to represent!

End of the Year Party

Tuesday, June 2nd, 6-7:30 pm, on-site at Lakeside

There will be ice cream and speeches. Pat your kids, teachers, yourselves and fellow parents on the back for a successful year of building up these little ones for success!



Thank you Teacher Amanda for a great first year with Lakeside, we're looking forward to many more! And again we wish you all the best Teacher Jenny, thank you for all that you have given to Lakeside Co-op over the years. What a gift you have given the school and kids with your care and attention, talent and experience. Thank you, teachers!

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