

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ...

Baker Bendett	4/1
Abe Schwartz	4/2
Lily Rappaport	4/6
Miss Colleen F.	4/6
Yuseph El-Gamal	4/8
Alexandra Quadri	4/10
Ellie Wu	4/10
Liam Hecht	4/15
Meyers Feller	4/18
Miss Abbe	4/20
Haley Roth	4/22
Dane Miller	4/24
Miss Alexis	4/26
Noah Laurino	4/28
Miss Gina	4/30

Upcoming Events at Pierce:

April:

4/5	4's: Planetarium Field Trip 11:15a
4/10-17	NO SCHOOL: SPRING BREAK!
4/18	School Resumes
	32Q & 34Q: Alley Pond 10a
4/24	Truckmania Day
4/25	41Q & 42Q: Planting Fields 10:30a
4/26	3's: CSH Fish Hatchery 10:00a
	41FD & 42FD: Planting Fields 10:30a

May:

5/2	31Q Spring Show
5/4	32Q Spring Show
5/9	33Q Spring Show
5/11	34Q Spring Show
5/12	41Q Spring Show/Graduation
5/16	42Q Spring Show/Graduation
5/18	41FD Spring Show/Graduation
5/23	42FD Spring Show/Graduation
5/24	41FD & 42FD: Atlantis 10:30a
5/26-29	NO SCHOOL: MEMORIAL WEEKEND
5/30	Party Pets 9:30a



AFTER THE SNOW HAS MELTED

From the Desk of Mr. Neal

Contrary to popular opinion this stretch of cool and damp weather will end. As March turns into April we will have spring weather. Spring and Pierce Country Day School is a match made in heaven—we will display thousands of tulips and beautiful gardens throughout our property. Trees will show off their leaves and flowers will bloom everywhere.

We will have lots of outdoor play! Children who have been anxious to run, jump, and play, will have their choice of fields to use. Baseball will be played at an elementary level as we teach the fundamentals. We will show children how to hold bats and hit balls to fielders. We will have children learn how to run the bases. If some children have already mastered certain skills we will allow their abilities to dictate our teaching strategies.

Kickball is a sport at which all children succeed. Kicking an oversized ball is always a self-esteem booster. We will offer some pre-soccer skill training as well. Our

collective goal is that all children have the opportunity to become more physically fit in the most fun way possible. We enjoy watching them have a blast while gaining some skills.

Our playgrounds are ready to have some visitors as well. Child-directed play in Key West Village or in the train playground is also great to observe. In these places we get to see children create, imagine, and discover their own adventures. Children learn best when given the opportunity to explore with each other. Cooperation, sharing, and patience are some byproducts of this free play. Children also teach each other new vocabulary and share role playing experiences when they get the chance to interact without adult input. The upcoming warm weather holds so much promise for learning experiences.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN...



From the Classroom of Miss Lauren, Miss Jen, and Miss Chelsea

"What's the weather, what's the weather, what's the weather everyone?..." On any given day, when you walk into the 34Q classroom you will hear this song being sung. It is part of our daily calendar/circle time. We have our children look out the windows to tell us if it is windy, cloudy, rainy or sunny. We then have one of our students mark the appropriate weather for the day on our calendar. We truly enjoy being mini meteorologists every day!

For the month of March, we have been exploring the phrase "In like a lion out like a lamb." After our weather song we ask the students if it is a "lion day" (cold, windy, rainy/snowy) or a "lamb day" (warm, sunny). We have been marking these days on our calendar every day (unfortunately we've had more lion than lamb). For the month of April we will explore the phrase "April showers bring May flowers." We will chart the rainy days in April to see if it truly is a rainy month.

Our daily weather observations are the building blocks of science and math skills in the 3 & 4 year old mind. We are encouraging their scientific thinking by asking them to observe, describe and record the environment around them. Pierce Country Day School provides the perfect opportunity for us to do just that! We are looking forward to becoming weather wizards as we explore the season of spring!



MARCH FUN!

