

# What's humming in the Hummingbird Class in May?

### YOUR TERRIFIC TODDLER!

# **Cognitive Development Activities for the Month:**

- Toddlers LOVE puzzles, this month we will introduce more challenging puzzles.
- We will continue to practice the names and listen and make the sounds of all of our favorite animals.
- It's Game Days! While playing games we will practice taking turns, flipping cards, and moving our game piece.

# Physical Development (Large & Small Muscle) Activities for the Month:

Large Muscle Skills:

- We will learn about parades. Practicing standing in a line, and then marching, we will have our own musical parade around our school.
- "Ready, Set, Go!" In gym we will run from a starting point all the way to the finish line.

#### Small Muscle Skills:

- We will spend more time outside exploring "water painting" and sidewalk chalk.
- We will continue to practice our lacing skills. From pasta and beads to flowers and yarn; we are becoming lacing experts!

# **Creative Art Development Activities for the Month:**

- We plan to paint in very creative ways this month including yarn painting, bubble painting, and outdoor easel painting.
- We will continue to work with model magic and play dough, sculpting our favorite animal shapes.

# **Hummingbird Themes for May...**

- I love you Mommy
- Musical Adventures
- Hat Day
- Puzzle Time
- Beautiful Flowers
- Color: PURPLE
- Opposites: On Off
- Shape: DIAMOND

#### Hand Signs...

Each month we will introduce a "Hand Sign" to your little ones. Sign Language helps toddlers communicate their needs.

mother/mom

ME

For Mom: Hold your open hand up and place your thumb on your chin.



LOVE

For Love: Place one hand on the other and place over your heart. May Song



(Frere Jacques)

I love Mommy, I love Mommy, Yes, I do! Yes, I do! And my mommy loves me,

Yes, my mommy loves me, Loves me too! Loves me too!