



RIDGEWAY NEWS – MARCH 2021

IF MARCH IS HERE, spring can't be far! We are looking forward with anticipation to playing outdoors more often. Please remember, **BOOTS** are needed for that soft ground and wet spots. As a reminder, strings at the neck and waist of jackets and sweatshirts are dangerous. Please remove them before the children wear them to school.

REGISTRATION FOR NEXT YEAR – There are only a few spots open in our 2's, 3's, 4's & K classes. If you have not submitted your child's registration yet, please be sure to do so as spots are now open to the public.

CAMP REGISTRATION – Even though summer weather is months away, it's time to reserve a spot at **CAMP RIDGEWAY!** Camp Ridgeway will run for **6 weeks** from July 6th - August 13th. **The final deadline to submit camp applications is Wednesday, April 7th.** Registration packets are available online and in the front hall. During the week of June 28th, Ridgeway Alliance Church will be running their Vacation Bible Camp. Please visit the Ridgeway Alliance Church website at <http://ridgewaychurch.com/> for more information.

GOOD FRIENDSHIP BEHAVIORS – This is a good time of year to review good friendship / play behaviors with your child especially in this time of COVID where it has become increasingly difficult to make meaningful connections. Here are some suggestions:

- **Talk with your child about who he/she plays with**, why he/she likes playing with them and what they like to play. If you know who your child likes to play with, you can talk to other parents about playdates.
- **Make a time for children to meet and play.** Given the pandemic, as the weather warms up, you could arrange to meet at a local park or other outdoor venue where there can be social distancing and fresh air.
- **Help your child play well.** You can do this by giving your child and his/her friends some different options for play. For example, you could say, 'Would you like to play with blocks or cars?'

- **Stay close.** It can be reassuring for your child to have you nearby, particularly if the children don't know each other well. As your child gets more confident you can be further away, although it's still important to be aware of what's going on.

MEDICATIONS AND YOUR CHILD – If your child is on medication, it is important that you alert your child's teachers and the main office. Children can have allergic reactions to medication at any time, so it is crucial that we know what your child is taking. Alert the teacher if your child had an antibiotic or antihistamine or has had an asthma treatment before school. If your child has asthma, we can administer and keep an inhaler in school with the proper paperwork. Please let us know if your child has special health care needs.

UPCOMING NURSERY SCHOOL EVENTS:

- **STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY / NO CLASSES: Friday, March 19th**
- **Spring Break: March 29th – April 5th / School resumes on Tuesday, April 6th**

