

# Betty J. Taylor Early Learning Academy

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## Turtle



Wow...April is already here which means spring is here. With spring comes new beginnings. April showers bring May flowers. This month we are planning on exploring how things grow. We will be planting flowers, reading about caterpillars and butterflies, and we will be exploring our surrounding environments to watch spring bloom. There will be days when the weather is beautiful and days when the weather will be challenging. Please dress your children appropriately for the weather. We are excited to spend more time outside and welcome the beautiful spring season.

—Ms. Val, Ms. Stacy, & Ms. Seandra

## Frog



Spring has finally sprung! Hippity-hoppity Easter is on its way! We will be learning about weather, spring animals, and the Easter Bunny. The weather is changing and we will be spending more time outside observing nature. We will be spending time cleaning up the flower beds and shoveling dirt. On the 18th we will be having an Easter egg hunt in our classroom. On the 26th we will be having our Super Hero Dance. Please bring proper dress to keep your child warm and dry during outside time.

—Melissa, Fran, & Kaitlyn

## Jellyfish



Can you believe it's already springtime? We are so happy the sun is starting to come out! We will be able to explore much more outdoors with this weather. Please make sure your kids have extra clothes, and dress accordingly to weather. We will be outside!

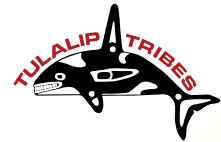
This month we have lots going on! Friday the 12th will be late start and Culture Day. April 18th come and see the Easter bunny! Easter is Sunday the 21st—we will be doing lots of fun activities and art projects for Easter to learn all about bunnies and eggs! Earth Day is Monday the 22nd—we also have plenty of things for our kids to do to learn about earth, we are so excited! Super Hero Dance is the 26th—wear your best costumes and come dance and have some fun!

Upcoming this month we will also be celebrating Jazmyn Foster's third birthday! Parents, please make sure you're checking your child's extra clothes. If they are potty training we need plenty of extra clothes—including socks, underwear, and shoes!

—Jenn, Alix,  
& Mary



Sheryl Fryberg, Director



## IMPORTANT DATES

- **Spring Break, childcare only**  
April 1st–5th
- **No AM childcare. Drop off at 11:00 am if attending Cultural Day**  
April 12th
- **Parent Committee meeting 12:00 pm- 1:00pm**  
April 17th
- **Easter Bunny, Library Day, Policy Council**  
April 18th
- **Easter Sunday**  
April 21st
- **Earth Day**  
April 22nd
- **Super Hero Dance 5:30 - 8:00 pm in the TELA Gym**  
April 26th

## Starfish



This month we will be doing many fun activities to welcome spring! We are looking forward to (hopefully) seeing some sun and having warmer weather. The theme this month is: April showers bring May flowers! We will look at different kinds of flowers, seeds and explore all the fun things spring has to offer. We will also explore pictures of different insects and explore worms! The Easter Bunny will be here on the 18th and the Superhero Dance will be on the 26th from 5:30 to 8:00pm in the TELA gym. Looking forward to a fun-filled month!

—*Elisa, Kara, & Jessyca*

## Gray Whale



April showers bring May flowers. This month the Gray Whale Room will begin to broaden our exploration of the outdoor environment and the changes we will start to see. The weather will be changing and getting warmer, birds and other animals/insects will begin to come out, etc. We will talk about the things we observe while on nature walks along with looking for blooming flowers to identify the colors. We will also explore our colors and begin to mix colors to create new ones which will turn into some classroom art, so keep an eye out for some of your child's artwork that we will post on our window and outside our classroom. Reminder that although it is April, it can still be cold so send your child in weather-appropriate clothing and shoes.

—*Molly & Jasmin*

## Otter



We hope everyone had a wonderful spring break! We are going to start off April with fun Easter activities. We'll explore eggs, make a cute bunny or two and learn about chicks. Then, in honor of springtime, we are going to be learning all about GROWING. Children are watching the environment around them growing bigger and bigger each day, so we will embrace this in our classroom through art, science, and books. We are going to focus on the life cycle of plants in our science areas, including activities of: sprouting seeds in the windows, planting sprouts for the children to care for and creating a colorful garden of our own in the classroom.

This is always the funnest part of the year for us, when the kids start seeing winter fade and spring blossom. Take this time to go outside! Things are changing and it gives you a perfect learning moment with your child or children.

Reminder: "April showers bring May flowers" so please remember to bring your child in weather-appropriate clothing so your child is dry and warm during our outside time.

—*Jeryre & Rainey*

## Orca



Wow, the weather has surely changed to spring! We have been happy to be able to get out and take some buggy rides in the sunshine. The air still is a little bit cool, so please provide your child with socks and a light coat. This month we will be focusing on some new books. We will be continuing our Lushootseed with Mr. Thomas and Mr. Mike. We listen to songs and stories in Lushootseed and we also get to hear the drum and hit the drum ourselves. Also, we have music with Mr. Colby every other week. When Mr. Colby is here we sing songs, use the shakers, and sometimes we get to strum the guitar ourselves. We really like that. This month we will continue to get some buggy rides in. When we are outside, we talk about the things that we see in our environment and feel the sun and breeze on our faces. We are hoping to do more paint projects and other sensory play. Remember, we get dirty and that's how we learn.

—*Sam & Cindi*

## Beaver



So far we've had a good year! We are very proud of all of the children in our class. Most of them have already adapted to school quite well and have shown growth in several areas of development. We thank you all for your cooperation and understanding so far.

What we are learning about in April is...spring season, plants and planting, and Earth Day. Please remember to be on time in the morning or call ahead if you are going to be tardy so you don't get turned away. Please call ahead when you are not going to be here. Remember, good attendance is important and children miss a lot when they are not at school.

Did you hug your child today? A hug a day keeps sadness away. We wish everyone a happy and healthy spring season.

—*Anita, Nicki, & Marcella*



## Crab



Welcome back, hope you guys had fun! This month we will be learning about spring! We will be doing lots of art and sensory activities! This month our holidays will be Easter and Earth Day! We will be exploring the gardens/trails around the school and working with our findings, so please bring in jackets for your babies since our weather is warming up, but it is still a bit chilly outside! On the 18th we will have an extra special visitor, the Easter Bunny! The Easter Bunny will have a surprise from the Sno Isle Library for Sno Isle Literacy Day! We hope to see you at the Super Hero Dance on the 26th! Dinner and treats provided!

—Caliee, Lakrista, & Kristy

## Rabbit



Spring is here and the flowers are blooming—time to venture off for a nature walk. Children listen to the sounds of nature and see the changes all around us. We have great activities planned and many things to explore. We would like to wish Kenneth, Lexi and M'Kenya a very happy 3rd birthday this month. We hope everyone enjoyed the spring break and we are ready to jump back in and have some fun. Just a reminder that the Easter Bunny will be here April 18th and the Super Hero Dance will be on April 26th from 5:30 to 8:00 pm.

—Darla, Sherry, & Melissa Y

## Salmon



Welcome spring! We are so happy spring has finally arrived and the warmer weather with it. We will be talking a lot about the weather and springtime with the children. We will be exploring outside and taking walks as much as possible this month since it is so nice outside, so parents please dress your children according to the weather. This month we will be talking about the different bugs and flowers that are growing outside that we see when on our walks. Reminder parents: Please bring in an extra pair of clothes for your child and put them in their cubby.

—Sarah, Leah, & Isabel



## **COMMUNITY EARLY LEARNING** **OPPORTUNITY:**

Early Childhood Developmental Services through a  
Federally Funded Community - Based Program  
Serving the Tulalip / Marysville School District

# **Early Head Start**

**Services provided for  
Pregnant Moms  
Children ages birth - 3**

### **We offer:**

- **Disabilities / Special Needs**
- **Center Based Learning**
- **Certified Educated Teachers with Early Learning Experience**
- **Small class sizes**
- **8 Children Per – Class with 2 Teachers**
- **Parent & Family Involvement**
- **Fun Family Events**
- **Parent Resources**
- **Parent Education Trainings**