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Gray Whale



As we say goodbye to spring and welcome to summer, we are excited to learn about bugs and nature. The Gray Whale Room will learn through hands-on experience and daily activities as well as nature walks. We will look for birds, caterpillars, worms, and we will keep an eye out for bees. We will be focusing on the Hungry Caterpillar book by Eric Carle. As the weather keeps changing and getting nice out, we would like to remind everyone to please have shoes for your child and a coat as we will go outside whether sunny or chilly! The TELA is now able to provide sunscreen school wide, so if you would like to utilize this, please come in and we can help you fill out a medication release.

—Molly, Jasmin, & Christina

Chipmunk



Hello families, we have made it to summer—yay! Hope everyone has had a wonderful year thus far. This month we will be exploring and discussing zoo animals. We are going to be talking about the different kinds of animals that we see at the zoo such as monkeys, tigers, hippos, and giraffes. We will be doing a lot of sensory exploration this month, talking about the different kinds of habitats that animals need to live.

Just a reminder: please remember to bring your child extra clothes. With the weather getting hot we do a lot outside water play. We also like to go dig in the garden. The new calendar for July is out and we will be closed the first week of the month for a short summer break. We hope that everyone has a happy and safe Fourth of July.

—Jamie, Teresa, & Cheryl

Sheryl Fryberg, Director



IMPORTANT DATES

- **July 1st-5th**
Summer Break
- **Friday, July 12th**
Cultural Day NO AM Childcare.
Drop off is 9:15am-9:45am
- **Wednesday July 17th**
Parent Committee Meeting
12:00pm-1:00pm
TELA Conference Room
- **Thursday July 18th**
Policy Council 12:00pm-1:00pm
TELA Conference Room.



Otter



Summer fun! School is now out for the older kids and the long days of light are filled with outdoor play, swimming, and all sorts of fun. Summer is a time for outdoor activities, camping and family BBQs. The warm temperatures that we experience in July provide us with the weather conditions we need to reconnect with nature. This month we will be exploring camping and the great outdoors. Children have curious minds and nature quenches that thirst perfectly during summer. We will be taking walks and really talking, seeing, and feeling the world around us.

Families we ask that you take time off from your busy summer schedules to connect with your child(ren) in nature by hiking, camping, or even simply having a picnic. We will be sending a scavenger hunt home with our families to promote language, problem solving, and cooperation. This hunt will be more general and can be done anywhere in nature, even in your backyard. Please let us know how your scavenger hunt goes and feel free to share pictures you take while hunting for the various objects.

—Jeryre, Sam, & Rainey

Starfish



Happy July and welcome back from our summer break! We are loving the gorgeous summer weather that we are having! This month we will be exploring the different things that summer has to offer—playing outside in the sun, exploring water/sand in sensory tubs, learning about sea life and taking walks down to the marina! Please remember that we will be going outside every day and, since some days we will be playing with water, your child should have an extra change of clothes in case they get wet! We would like to wish a very happy birthday to Brandon who will be turning three this month! Looking forward to a fun filled month.

—Kara, Elisa and Jessyca

Octopus



Happy 4th of July! Bugs, bugs, and many more bugs—we are going to explore as many as we can find! Our art projects will be full of different shapes and sizes, just like bugs. With the weather being very warm, our classroom will be outside as much as possible. We will learn different sounds, shapes, colors, and maybe smells of each little creature that combs this earth. Potty training is still going strong, but please remember to be working on this with your child at home. Remember to bring weather-appropriate clothing. Continue to discuss colors and shapes with your child as this is something we just finished working on and very excited to know.

—Shala, Katherine, LuLu, & Katey

Salmon



Welcome summer! Finally, summer is in full swing and this July will be a very busy month. The children will be learning new topics and we will be taking the children outdoors as much as the weather will allow us. Our theme this month is called “Under the Sea” so we will be talking about different sea animals and sea creatures. We have been lucky enough to have been able to play and explore our outside area, where the children have the space to develop their gross motor skills freely. We will be doing a lot of water play this month, so please dress your child accordingly and make sure they have extra clothes in their cubbies in case they get wet. The first week of July we will be closed so enjoy your week and have a happy and safe 4th of July.

—Sarah, Leah, & Isabel

Turtle



Wow, this year is flying by! It is already July and we are so excited about what we have planned for this month. We are going to be exploring ocean life. We will be learning about the different sea animals, having fun with water play, and endless sensory play. We will also be outside exploring our surrounding environments. We will be taking nature walks down to the health clinic garden and learning about what is growing there.

—Ms. Val, Ms. Stacy, Ms. Seandra, & Ms. Melissa



Beaver



Hello parents and children. The weather is nicer so we will be bringing our classroom outside. Summer is in full swing and we have many fun activities planned around sea and water life—including art, sensory, language and math activities.

By walking the children down to the beach or community garden, or counting the cars on the bridge, we want to teach the children about field trips and talking about rules that keep them safe. Our science project could be messy but fun: Everybody has ice cube trays at home. Fill them up with bugs or dinosaurs and have a summer fun outdoor activity at home.

—Anita, Nicki, Marcella, & Anthony

Orca



It's summer! Wow, it has been warm and beautiful outside. The school year is really winding down. This month we will be doing a lot of water play and outside play (so make sure your child has extra outfits)! It has been a real adventure for all of us while we got to explore the "Monkey Room" and we are finally are old enough for the playground. We have been very happy to use our large muscles!

—Samantha, Cindi, & Sam

Crab



Hello families! This month we will be exploring some new places such as the Monkey Room and our soon-to-be outdoor water play area. We will do our best to keep the kiddos dry, but this isn't always easy with eight little ones, so we ask that all families please provide a change of clothes that is appropriate for warm weather. You may choose to provide a water play shirt to keep kiddos covered up while outside—this is a good idea for those with fair skin who may need the extra sun protection as we may remove clothing before getting wet.

—Lakrista, Cailee, & Kristy

Frog



Summer is here and it's getting hot outside. We will be outside a lot more with water play, nature walks, and outdoor activities. We will be closed July 1 through 5. We will be learning about textures, the beach, gardening, and the color green. We will be putting sunscreen on your child when we go outside. Please bring extra clothing and water resistant clothes so your child can play outside! Happy Fourth of July.

—Melissa, Francine, & Kaitlyn



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**