



Dunfee Digest

Spring at LMDS

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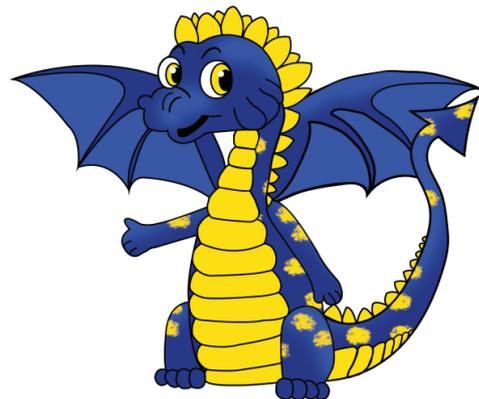


Until the fall, Dragons!

Hello, summer break!

What a year it has been for these Dragons! Enjoy a peak through the final publication of the Dunfee Digest for the 2021-2022 school year. We have enjoyed celebrating each of our studies, the Week of the Young Child, and more! We wanted to take a moment and congratulate our Dragons again who will be Moving Up to Kindergarten next year - we will miss you!

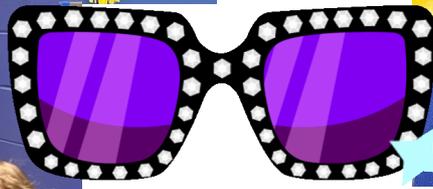
Enjoy your summer break and we will see you again in the fall!



Fashion Show

Pictures from various classes.

To celebrate the end of our Clothing Study, Dragons put on a Fashion Show! Each class chose a country or theme to inspire their wardrobes. Each class had a chance to walk across the red carpet and parade around the halls to show off some of what they have created!





Week of the Young Child

April 2-8, 2022

What is the Week of the Young Child®?

The Week of the Young Child® is an annual celebration sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), the world's largest early childhood education association, with nearly 60,000 members and a network of 52 Affiliates.

The purpose of the Week of the Young Child® is to focus public attention on the needs of young children and their families and to recognize the early childhood programs and services that meet those needs.

NAEYC first established the Week of the Young Child® in 1971, recognizing that the early childhood years (birth through age 8) lay the foundation for children's success in school and later life. The Week of the Young Child® is a time to plan how we—as citizens of a community, of a state, and of a nation—will better meet the needs of all young children and their families.

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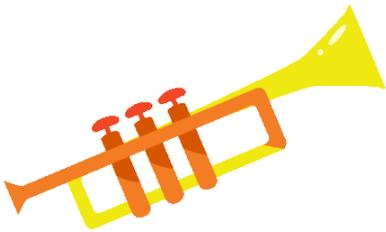


Music Monday



We owe a big thank you to the ROBMS Jazz Band for putting on a musical performance we will never forget!

When children sing, dance, and listen to music, they develop their language and early literacy skills while being active and encouraging movement.





Tasty Tuesday



Each class got to try out a new recipe - one of the most delicious ways to learn through play!

This fun, food-themed day is about more than just cheese and crackers. Cooking together connects math with literacy skills, science, and more. With the rise in childhood obesity, you can encourage healthy nutrition and fitness habits at home and in the classroom.





Work Together Wednesday

Working together on our school garden beds is a beautiful way to get to work on one project as a whole school!

When children build together they explore math and science concepts and develop their social and early literacy skills. Children can use any building material—from a fort of branches on the playground to a block city in the classroom, or a hideaway made from couch pillows at home.



Artsy Thursday



Dragons put on an Art Show this Spring - what better day than today to dedicate to creating one of those art show master pieces?

Think, problem solve, create! Children develop creativity, social skills and fine motor skills with open-ended art projects where they can make choices, use their imaginations, and create with their hands. On Artsy Thursday celebrate the joy and learning children experience when engaged in creative art making. Use any materials—from crayons to paint, clay to crafts!

Family Friday

Every class shared facts and stories about their families.

Engaging and celebrating families is at the heart of supporting our youngest learners. NAEYC applauds family members' role as young children's first and most important teachers.



PTA Egg Hunt



Tree Study Meets Arbor Day

The Tree Study is such a special one! To celebrate the end of one of our favorite studies, we held a school wide Arbor Day celebration! On Arbor Day, April 29 every student made bird feeder pipe cleaners and brought them outside with them for an Arbor Day tree planting ceremony. Thanks to the County Shade Tree Commission as well as the local Arbor Day Chapter for each donating a tree to our school allowing us to have not one, but two ceremonies to go with the tree planting!





Recycle Study Celebration

May 25, 2022

We had a family fun event to celebrate the end of Recycle Study! Families enjoyed stations where they experienced hands on learning through play and screenless activities all with various recycled materials!



Field Fun Day 2022



LMDS Presents Dunfee's Art Gallery Walk

Creative Curriculum studies meet the arts! Our first ever Art Gallery Walk took place throughout the school hallways, so all of the Dragon's art was seen by all! It was a super fun and special evening here at Dunfee and we look forward to making this an annual Dunfee tradition!

Click on the video to watch or find it on our Youtube channel at the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tiptglqWAo0>



Moving Up to Kindergarten

Pictures taken from both ceremonies.

We're Moving Up ~ to Kindergarten!

We are going to miss all of these Dragons who are moving on to Kindergarten next year - but we could not be more proud of each and every one of them!



UPStanders of LMDS

UPStanding-Dragon of the Month

What is an UPstander?

In Barnegat, we believe in family. We also believe in helping students become the best versions of themselves, and facilitating a positive school climate.

And that's why in the 2018-2019 school year, the Counseling Department launched the UPstanders initiative. Through this program, one altruistic student per school will be recognized monthly at our Board of Education meetings. These students will be nominated by building administrative and counseling staff.

To reward these students, we are granting them with a gift card to a local restaurant to fund a meal for their household. Parents will sign a contract to consent to bring the whole family—bringing back the idea of a family dinner and family togetherness.

Each month, students are nominated based on the UPstander criteria and the trait of the month.

UPStander Qualifying Criteria:

Outstanding citizenship, indicated by:

1 or more acts of *advocating* for their fellow student(s); and/or

1 or more acts of *kindness*, and/or

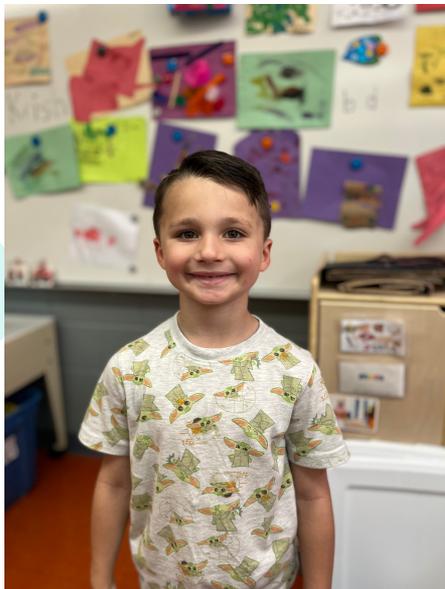
1 or more acts of *facilitating community/teamwork*, and/or

1 or more acts of *leading* a group positively

April Trait of the Month: Resilience

Nevaeh Ghobrial

"Nevaeh is making good progress learning some of the letters and numbers! Memory challenges made it difficult for her to retain information, but she never gave up! She shows great resilience. She is so proud that she is learning, as am I! Nevaeh is everyone's biggest cheerleader. Her kindness and caring attitude toward others is amazing and I feel she is so deserving of recognition." - Mrs. Buck



May Trait of the Month: Integrity

Dominic Juliano

"Dominic is a model student in our class. If he sees a friend not doing the right thing, he will remind them of the classroom rule and why we have them. He knows our rules and routine very well and helps fellow classmates with them as needed. He loves to share facts he has learned about subjects that interest him without fabrications. If he makes a mistake, he will be honest and tell me he did it by accident and try to correct what happened." - Mrs. Egbert

June Trait of the Month: Dedication

Johanna Pizarra

"Johanna has consistently been a shining light for two years in our classroom. Johanna includes every child in play and school work. Johanna always offers a positive word and smile to peers and teachers alike. Johanna always strives to improve and can already read and often reads to her peers. She is dedicated to being a good friend and role model every day!" - Mrs. Foster



SUMMER SCREEN RULES

Do these before you can have screen time!

- Brush teeth
- Wash face
- Comb hair
- Get Dressed
- Eat breakfast
- Clean up a space for 10 minutes
- Read with a stuffed animal
- Play a game or do a Puzzle
- Play outside or Take a Walk
- Create something

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Screen Free Activities For Kids



Have a Dance party

Build an indoor fort

Make Slime

Do a Science Experiment

Build an outdoor fort

Have a Nerf Battle

Make an Obstacle Course

Make and Fly a Kite

Play Hide and Go Seek

Make Playdough

Bake a Cake

Play Kick Ball

Have a Scavenger Hunt

Begin a Garden

Make a Bird House

Draw With Chalk

Make Origami

Tie Dye Something

Have a Card Game tournament

Ride Bikes

Have a Relay Race

Make Cookies

Have a Picnic

Make an Art Show

Color some Rocks

Make Upcycled Art Work

Make A Bird Feeder

Make puppets out of old socks

Have a Show with sock puppets

Camp outdoors

Blow Bubbles

Make Popcicles

Make a Fairy Garden

Re-organize Closet

Have a Water Balloon fight

Build with Card board boxes

Put on a Play

Have a Tea Party

Write a Letter

Do a Puzzle



THANKYOU

