



APRIL Newsletter



MONTHLY THEMES

April 2nd-6th: Weather/"Jesus is Arrested"

April 9th- 13th: Community Helpers/ "Jesus is Risen"

April 16th- 20th: Week of the Young

Child/"Jesus Goes to Heaven"

April 23rd- April 27th: Pond Life/"The Lame Man"



upcoming birthdays



- ◆ Peyton C.- April 1st
- ◆ Benjamin P.-April 3rd
- ◆ Kendall T.-April 5th
- ◆ Isabella H.- April 6th
- ◆ Kelsey Z.- April 8th
- ◆ Kai A.- April 13th
- ◆ Ryan B. - April 15th
- ◆ Jordyn R. - April 20th
- ◆ Madeline B.- April 21st
- ◆ Brayden M. - April 30th



Signs of Spring

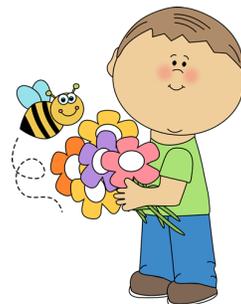
The backyard is a space where quality time with the family can be spent all year round, but accidents can take place anywhere and it is important to make sure that you have taken all possible safety precautions to make sure the backyard remains a safe area for relaxation and play.

When it comes to your lawn, you should remove tree stumps and get rid of concrete footings so as to cut down the chances of people tripping over

them. When cutting the lawn, debris such as rocks can turn into flying projectiles so the yard needs to be cleared. If you have any potentially hazardous tools or chemicals, they need to be stored well out of children's reach in a locked garage or shed.

Fencing is important too, serving to protect children from outside dangers and keep toddlers away from ponds, hot tubs, swimming pools or away

from strangers and traffic. Fences can also help to protect your pets by keeping other animals away and making sure that they remain in their own yard.



Special Days in APRIL

- ◆ **April 1st-** Easter Sunday
- ◆ **April 5th-** Senior and School Age bowling field trip
- ◆ **April 16th - 20th -** Week of the Young Child
- ◆ **April 21st-** Earth Day
- ◆ **April 27th-** Senior Graduation Photos



Spring Cleaning!

After being cooped up in a stuffy house all winter long, it's finally time to fling open the windows, shoo away the cobwebs, and take on your annual spring cleaning. But often, the chemicals found in conventional cleaning products can be more dangerous than the dirt they're intended to clean. And the way most of us clean isn't exactly earth-friendly. Thankfully, there are many alternatives available that can help you make your home squeaky clean—and green. Consider these 6 ways to help clean and get green this spring:

1. **Hang dry your laundry.** Drying your clothes in an electric or gas dryer isn't just hard on your clothes; it's also hard on the environment.
2. **Add a little greenery.** Install a living air filter—houseplants!
3. **De-clutter your wardrobe.** Donate gently worn items to charity, where they'll get a second life, and donate torn and stained items (if they're made of an absorbent fabric) to your rag collection, where they'll replace wasteful paper towels.
4. **Paint your walls green.** If spring cleaning at your house involves a fresh coat of paint, consider the VOC content of the paint when choosing your paint. VOC's, or Volatile Organic Compounds, are chemicals that form vapors at room temperature.
5. **Swap out your Swiffer.** Instead of continually buying expensive single-use mop pads, invest in a reusable mop.
6. **Ditch the paper towels.** Save trees, cash, and landfill waste. You can buy specially-made, washable cleaning and dusting cloths (in all types of fabrics from cotton to microfiber). But better yet? Use what you already have and give an old piece of cloth (stained towels, old sheets and pillowcases, too-small T-shirts, etc.) a new life.



Week of the Young Child

During the month of April, we will be celebrating the

"Week of the Young Child."

April 16th-20th

What is the Week of the Young Child? The purpose of this week is to focus public attention on the needs of young children and their families. The Week of the Young Child is a time to plan how we, as citizens of a community, state, and nation, can better meet the needs of all young children and their families.

At Childrens' Kastle we are taking the opportunity during this week to celebrate all of our children and their families. Each family will be given a family tree to complete and they will be displayed throughout the center. We will also be doing many other special activities and themes days! More information will be posted as we get closer. We look forward to this special week!



Announcing our new
spring referral reward!

During April and May, refer a
full time family and you will
receive a
\$150 gift card to

