



Dear Bright Beginnings NYC Parents,



**Preschool:**



It has been a wonderful and speedy March at Bright Beginnings. We are in full spring mode now and are eagerly awaiting the warmer temperatures. March has kept us nice and busy exploring all things pets! This included a look at traditional household pets, exotic pets, and even zoos. The children also enjoyed learning about the different characteristics of each their favorite animals. We can't wait to see what April brings us, especially within the new theme of *Gardening!*



The Big Friends had so much fun this month! There has been nonstop play and chatter both inside and outside of the classroom pretending to be kitties, puppies, and even dinosaurs. They have worked on their numbers using a zebra stripe count, made fish tanks with a gold fish count, and created beautiful works including cat face plates focusing on facial feature placement. They also finished their letter curriculum with the letter Z just this week. What a great job Big Friends!



The Little Friends also completed letters M, N, and O! They created hamster nests for the letter N and had fun playing in a Savannah sensory bin for Zoo week. They also learned about different pet diets and made a salad for rabbits. Little Friends created their very own cat and dog faces too that can be seen hanging up in the classroom. Wonderful job Little Friends!



### After School:



The after school students also kept busy this month both inside and outside the classroom. With the new warm weather they have finally been able to visit the playground again. They also put on their scientist hats to look for signs of spring on observation walks, enjoyed learning about rhythm and beats during music, and they even made an upside down pineapple cake in cooking. But one of their favorite projects this month was learning all about different artists who painted flowers. The after schoolers created their own versions using water colors and can be seen hanging up in the downstairs playroom.



### Housekeeping:

We do have a few important dates coming up to keep in mind and in your calendar. We will be having our optional parent teacher conferences on Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup>. This will be a nonattendance day for afterschool students, and a 12:45pm early dismissal for full-time students. Please be sure to make arrangements. In addition, **children are not permitted to attend parent teacher conferences**. Signup sheets are in the school lobby.

We will also be closed on Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup> for spring holiday. We will re-open on Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

### Calendar Dates:



Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup>: Parent Teacher Conferences. NO After School. 12:45pm dismissal for full-time students

Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup>: Spring Holiday: No School. Bright Beginnings NYC closed.



In addition we have noticed that parents have been walking in and walking out without signing in their child. Please make sure to sign your child in and out every morning upon arrival and dismissal. We require the time and signature please. It is a DOH regulation so please make sure to do both. Lastly, we would just like to remind parents of those students transitioning out to provide last day dates if not already specified. In addition, if you will be going on vacation during the summer, please let us know as soon as possible. We greatly appreciate your cooperation!

As always please let us know if you have any questions, comments, or ideas!



Sincerely,

Bright Beginnings NYC Staff