



Dear Bright Beginnings NYC Parents,

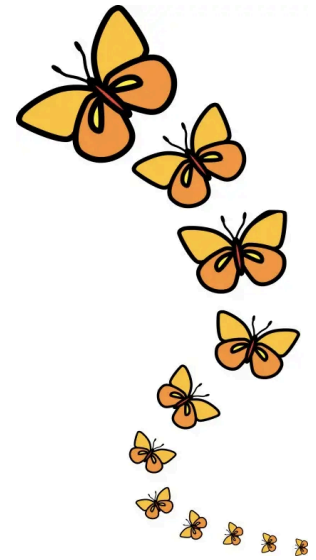
The April showers have certainly brought along May flowers here at Bright Beginnings! The kiddos were super excited to experience the eclipse (from inside the classroom of course!) and we absolutely loved having the opportunity to be able to chat with our parent community during our spring conferences :). Before we mosey on into May, let's take a look back at our April highlights.



Preschool

The Friends had a blast taking a deep dive into our ocean theme this month! To start off our sea studies, the Big Friends paddled around the sunlight

zone and fed a water bottle “stingray” lots of tasty fish. Next, the team trekked to the twilight zone and met a pufferfish balloon that inflated all by itself with baking soda and vinegar. After that, the Friends hopped back into their sub and headed to the midnight zone where they played a spooky game of anglerfish tag. To wrap up our oceanic observations, the Friends



took a trip around the world and played with a narwhal

in our Arctic Ocean ice bin. Tying into all of our

awesome learning, the Big Friends covered the uppercase and

lowercase letters O, P, and Q! A few of our favorite letter moments

from this month were tracing and decorating an oval for O, our P is

for Peas in a Pod color sorting activity, and leading the royal court

during our Q is for Queen Simon Says game. Wonderful job Big Friends!



The Little Friend crew had just as many sea worthy adventures throughout April! To begin our nautical journey, the Friends chilled out at the beach and practiced their ball balancing skills with a seal pal. Following that, the kiddos held

their breath and wandered into the twilight zone where they went on

an epic starfish shape hunt. To sink further into our learning, the

Friends made themselves super cozy in the deep dark trenches of the

ocean and painted a fish with glow in the dark vampire squid ink. To

finish our wave-tastic explorations, the Friends traveled to the

Atlantic Ocean and went on a fishing frenzy with a Blue Marlin.

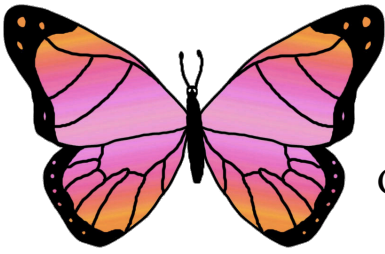
Adding to our fishy findings, the Little Friends marched through

our alphabet studies and also learned about the letters O, P, and Q!

Some activities that we loved from this month included ordering up

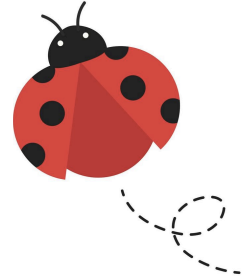
tasty Play-Doh food for letter O, drawing our own toppings on a





pizza pie for letter P, and our Q is for Quirky Quail Count.
Great job Little Friends!

We are super psyched to introduce our topic for May: Preschool Couture! The kiddos have been beyond excited to show off their spring fashions and have had lots of questions about where our clothes come from. All through May, the Friends will learn more about a variety of fabrics, textiles, global clothing native to different areas, a few Americana trends and will even have a chance to create their own outfits! We're ready to get fancy come May!



After-School

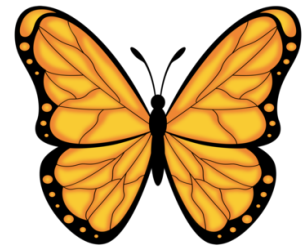
Our Preschool pals were not the only ones having fun! The After-Schoolers have loved all of our outdoor activities at the playground and have been chatting non-stop about their spring break adventures. Some stand out moments from this month were finding and decorating our own pet rocks, creating a festive spring egg with spray bottles, and going on an extreme Wild Kratt's yoga escapade. We also got to play an action packed game of Mr. Alligator (our After-Schoolers were too quick to get caught)! Wonderful job After-School!



Housekeeping

There are a few dates to mark for May. First, Bright Beginnings NYC will be holding its annual Mother's Day Brunch on Friday, May 10th! We will be serving a a mother's day bagel brunch as well as providing fun activities for everyone to enjoy throughout the classroom. Feel free to pop by anytime between 8:30-10:30 for a





treat and a chat. We'll see you there!

Next, Bright Beginnings NYC will be **CLOSED** for both programs on Monday, May 27th in observance of Memorial Day. We will reopen with a regular schedule on Tuesday, May 28th.

We also have spots available for our Friday Reader! If you are interested in reading to the kiddos, just ask at the door and we'll add your name to the list :).

Happy reading!

Finally, we have received a post-card from our amazing teacher Ms. Allison! She is doing wonderfully in California and sends her love to all of our Bright Beginnings families. Thank you Ms. Allison!



Important Dates:

-May 10th: **Mother's Day Brunch 8:30-10:30**

-May 27th: **Memorial Day. SCHOOL CLOSED FOR BOTH PROGRAMS**

That's all for April! We are looking forward to lots of fun in the sun as the warmer months approach. Of course, please send over an e-mail or catch us at the door if you have any questions, comments, or concerns. We are always around for a chat :). See ya later April!



Sincerely,

Bright Beginnings NYC