

# AUBURN PRESCHOOL NEWS

JUNE 2018

## CURRICULUM CORNER



Students are finishing up the **Happily Ever After Reading Program**.

This program sets the stage for the **Superkids Reading Program** in Kindergarten, so the students are ready to jump right in!

**Letters:** Students have learned all 26 capital and lowercase letters.

**Colors:** Students have learned the following colors this year: red, yellow, blue, orange, green, purple, black, white, pink, gray, & brown.

**HomeLink:** Research shows that 5-year-old children need **Rhyming Activities**, which are an early predictor of reading skills. Listen to rhymes in music. Have your child give a thumbs up or thumbs down if two words that you say rhyme!

**Math:** Students have been composing (making numbers) and decomposing (breaking numbers into its parts) for numbers 0-10.

**Numbers:** We have been focusing on numbers 0-10. Also, students have been practicing addition and subtraction for numbers 0-5. They have also been measuring by weight and length.

**Positional Words:** Students are describing objects

**Shapes:** Students continue to work with flat shapes (circle, square, triangle, and rectangle) and 3-dimensional shapes (cylinder, cube, cone, and pyramid).

**HomeLink:** Practice counting common objects at home, such as socks, spoons, and grapes. Take away some and recount, talking about what you've done to make the new number.

**Dear Parents & Guardians,**

We are finishing up a terrific year in our preschool classrooms! Nearly 300 UPK students will be heading off to elementary school next year, prepared for their best learning experiences yet, while close to 150 3PK students will be back for the next level of preschool fun next year! All of our preschool students have had the opportunity to be involved with the same ELA and Math programs that are used in the Auburn Enlarged City School District. This has prepared them to jump right into the language and expectations in elementary school.

**Teachers are already planning for the fall; information regarding your child's school orientation will be arriving over the summer, so be on the lookout!**

Are you beginning to think about your child's transition to the next level in the fall? The **Early Childhood Direction Center in Syracuse** offers lots of helpful tips for setting a positive tone for your child's school future:

- Attend your child's school orientation
- Visit the school's playground
- Establish a school time routine
- Gather school supplies together
- Play school together
- Talk about the bus, the lunchroom, and routines at school
- Support your child's learning by reading together every day



## IMPORTANT NOTICE

It's not too late to register your child for the 2018-19 school year! Please call Mary Cregg at (315) 255-8825 to ensure your child is ready for the first day of school!

To learn more, please go to [www.ecdc.syr.edu](http://www.ecdc.syr.edu).

# PLACES TO GO AND THINGS TO DO:



**176 Genesee St, 315-252-2571, [seymourlibrary.org](http://seymourlibrary.org)**

## **Pajama Storytime, One Tuesday a month at 6:30pm**

A fun storytime with stories and songs for preschool through early elementary age children. Pajamas are encouraged!

## **STEAM Ahead Stories, One Saturday a month at 11am**

A special storytime focusing on STEAM related topics for children ages 3-5.

## **Science Saturday, One Saturday a month at 11am**

Children ages 6-9 explore through science-based activities.

Stay up to date on what's happening at the library: [seymourlibrary.org](http://seymourlibrary.org).



**358 Genesee St, 315-255-4737, [auburnny.gov](http://auburnny.gov)**

## **Summer Concert & Movie Series**

The City of Auburn provides free concerts and movies at city parks on select evenings throughout the summer. For more info, visit the Parks & Rec page at [auburnny.gov](http://auburnny.gov).



**27 William Street, 315-253-5304, [auburnymca.org](http://auburnymca.org)**

## **Kindercamp**

Summer fun and adventure for 3-5 year olds. Attend one week or all seven! For more YMCA programs and events, visit [www.auburnymca.org](http://www.auburnymca.org).



**63 Genesee St, 315-252-5541, [playspaceabc.com](http://playspaceabc.com)**

The Play Space is designed to meet the developmental needs for play and exploration for children up to age six. For more info and events, visit [www.playspaceabc.com](http://www.playspaceabc.com).



**[tourcayuga.com/things-to-do/family-fun](http://tourcayuga.com/things-to-do/family-fun)**

Cayuga County has lots of fun family activities including miniature golf, horseback riding, bowling, movies, and much more.

For more information on activities and events, visit [www.tourcayuga.com/things-to-do/family-fun](http://www.tourcayuga.com/things-to-do/family-fun).



Students practicing their math skills.



Floor time fun!

Some independent learning time.



Hermit crabs!