

Preschool Press March 2023



A Book Fair Thank You

We would like to thank everyone for participating in the Usborne Book Fair. We were able to gain \$500.00 worth of free books for our classrooms. We appreciate all of you in so many different ways.

March Calendar

March 1: Tuition Due

March 2 & 3: Indoor Beach Party

March 16 & 17: St. Patrick's Day

March 31: Spring Break Begins

Tax ID Number

31-064-3314



Play Dough Recipe

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| 5 tbsp of cream of tartar | $\frac{3}{4}$ cup of salt |
| 3 cups of flour | 14 oz. pkg of unsweetened Kool-Aid |
| 3 cups of water | 3 tbsp vegetable oil |
- food coloring of choice (the Kool-Aid will color the mixture also)
- Stir all of the dry ingredients into a large pot. Slowly add the water and oil. Using a large wooden spoon. Blend the mixture until all of the lumps are gone. Stir in several drops of food coloring till you have the desired color (the dough will darken as it cooks). Cook the mixture over medium heat, stirring constantly with a large spoon until it forms a ball. While the mixture is still warm, knead it on a lightly floured board for several minutes or until the dough has a soft, satiny feel. Store the dough in a sealed container at room temperature for up to a month.

Free for Families

As spring break quickly approaches, a list of free activities around Columbus might be helpful to your families. Here is what we found:

- The Naz Play Place 4770 Hoover Road, Grove City This is a free indoor play area located at the Naz Church in Grove City.
- The Ohio State University Airport 2160 West Case Road, Columbus A trip to this airport can be a real treat for the kiddos that love airplanes. They have a great observation deck where you can watch planes take off and land.
- Battelle Darby Nature Center 1415 Darby Creek Dr, Galloway You will find lots of educational and interactive displays at this nature center. There is a living stream where kids are allowed to reach in and touch the animals. They can even crawl through a tunnel to look up at the stream for another point of view.
- Highbanks Nature Center 9446 Columbus Pike (US Rt 23N), Lewis Center Another fun nature center with a large tree inside that the kids can crawl through and a glass covered indoor stream that the kiddos can walk across.
- Orton Geological Museum 155 S. Oval Mall; Columbus Giant sloth skeleton, T.Rex skull, meteorites, mastodon teeth and more can all be found at this museum.
- Columbus Museum of Art 632 Park Street: Columbus Free admission for everyone on Sundays.
- Towers Park - Westerville 657 County Line Road., Westerville A cute little park with a fun area for toddlers and preschoolers. Check out their website with all the fun things to do.
- Franklin Park Conservatory and Botanical Gardens 1777 E. Broad Street, Columbus Free Admission for Franklin County residents on the 1st Sunday of every month.

Tulips

We are watching the playground for signs that the 100's of tulips that we planted in the fall will start to show signs of growth. Keep your fingers crossed.