

August is National Immunization Month

It is important for all ages to be properly vaccinated to help protect yourself and others from preventable diseases. Vaccines work by causing your body to produce antibodies which help fight off different kinds of illnesses. Vaccines prevent over 2.5 million deaths annually. Most vaccines are covered by your insurance. There are also programs to assist those not covered by insurance.

With school starting back, it is vital that your child is up to date. All students must provide evidence of immunizations required by State of New Hampshire Law to attend school. If you have questions, please contact your healthcare provider or the school nurse.

Ask Your Child: How have you been feeling lately?

HEALTHY KIDS



Speech Department

Although it is still summer, our Speech Department is keeping very busy!

We are very proud of Shannon May Najem and Rhoda Forrest for completing training at the 14th Annual Social Thinking Global Providers' Online Conference. This session focused on social thinking skills related to diversity, tenacity and resiliency. Later this month, Shannon will participate in another training with Morgan Bailey called "Maximizing Outcomes for Medically Complex Patients of All Ages" in order to get the latest, up to date information about diagnosing and treating the communication and feeding/swallowing needs of our students in the medically complex program.

By sharpening their knowledge and skills in these areas, our specialists will be able to provide expertise in the support areas that our children need most. For example, Julie Irwin continues to use her certification as an Assistive Technology Professional to help our non-verbal students use Alternative Augmentative Communication (AAC) devices. We thank our staff for their dedication to our students, their work, and development as professionals to consistently and accurately be able to address the needs of our school.

In addition to these amazing achievements, our Speech team also finds fun and exciting ways to engage our students. They enjoyed using summer produce to make pickles, participating in a "Day at the Nail Salon" and watching summer releases such as "Camp Cretaceous: Season 3" and "Luca" and "Raya and the Last Dragon" to work on reading non-verbal communication, making social inferences, and thinking about perspectives of multiple people in a situation.

SUMMER NEWS



Back to School Apple Craft

Materials:

- Red, green, and brown construction paper
- Paper plate
- Craft glue or glue sticks

Directions:

1. Rip the red construction paper into medium pieces. You can also choose to use child-safe scissors.
2. Glue each piece of red construction paper individually to the paper plate. The goal is to fill the entire white area of the paper plate.
3. Once the paper plate is filled with torn red construction paper, it is time to add a leaf and stem to your apple.
4. Using the brown construction paper, you can help your child draw a stem. You can then have them cut or tear the stem out. Then, glue the stem to the top of your apple.
5. Using the green construction paper, you can help your child draw a leaf. You can then have them cut or tear the leaf out. Then, glue the leaf next to the stem at the top of your apple.

Ask Your Child: Do you like eating apples?

FUN CRAFT ✂



Pencil Waffles

Ingredients:

- Frozen waffles
- White bread
- Raisins
- Raspberries/Strawberries

Directions:

1. Toast the waffles until golden, then cut the largest portion into a large rectangle.
2. Toast the bread and cut into triangles for the tips of the pencils.
3. Add a raisin to the tip of the white bread to be the lead.
4. Add either raspberries or cut up strawberries to be the pencil's eraser.

Ask Your Child: What do you like to write about using a pencil?

EASY RECIPE 🍴

