



# Earl Learning Center- North Quincy Newsletter

April 2019 Edition

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Music Monday! April 8th, 2019: Sing, dance, celebrate, and learn

Tasty Tuesday! April 9th, 2019: Healthy eating and fitness at home and school

Work Together Wednesday! April 10th, 2019: Work together, build together, learn together

Artsy Thursday! April 11th, 2019: Think, problem solve, create

Family Friday! April 12th, 2019: Sharing family stories

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month, and as a leading organization in Youth Development, the South Shore YMCA is committed to educating our community on how to prevent, recognize, and react responsibly to child abuse. At the Y, we are dedicated to providing a child-safe and child-centered environment, where all kids have



safe spaces to explore their imagination, learn lifelong skills, and grow.

All adults are

responsible for keeping kids safe, and we must do our part by being engaged leaders in a call to action. While the Y is committed to child safety year-round, each April we add a special emphasis on raising awareness in our communities in support of this national movement by offering a variety of resources and opportunities to promote child well-being and enhance child safety. The South Shore YMCA will participate in the **Five Days of Action** April 22<sup>nd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> designed to raise awareness and inspire adults to take action to protect our children from child abuse.

<https://www.fivedaysofaction.org/>

We invite you to explore the resources we have available on our Safe Kids

<https://ssymca.org/give/our-impact/advocacy/safe-kids/> website to understand this community challenge and your role in protecting all children.



**The Early Learning Center in North Quincy will be closed, Monday APRIL 15<sup>th</sup> for a Teacher Professional Development Day!**



**There will be NO SWIM the weeks of April 15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>st</sup> due to School Age Vacation**



**It's Not Rude, It's Safety!**

Thank you to all for adhering to our policy of not holding the door for others to enter the Early Learning Center. As we work to continue to keep our Center a safe environment for our staff, children and families we ask all to understand that holding the door open for others may present a risk by allowing people into the Center who are not expected. All enrolled families and staff have a key fob to allow access into the building. **If you need a new fob please see the office!** All others can be encouraged to ring the doorbell.

Please note: **Please ensure that you refrain from using the handicap bottoms to exit the building.** We understand that the children like to press the buttons but let's give these kids a teachable moment and explore the possibilities of them learning why they are there and how important it is for those that need them.



**April 27<sup>st</sup> 11am - 1pm**

Join our Branches at the Quincy Y (79 Coddington St) & Emilson Y (75 Mill St. Hanover) for Healthy Kids Day! This free community event will feature fun, family-friendly activities that will feature fun active play and educational activities that will inspire kids to carry a spirit of excitement and exploration throughout their summer

**Reach out to Director Jo-Jo Reed or Kristine Swan with any questions or comments. We value your feedback!**

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