



From The Director's Desk
March 2017

I just came in from watching the “Zooper Heroes” show, provided by the Denver Zoo’s outreach program and was amazed by how knowledgeable and curious the children are. Our two presenters compared the super skills of the Hulk, The Thing and other characters to live animals possessing their own “super skills”. I expect that the children will tell you all about the cool animals they got to see and touch. I love bringing these special presentations to our center and we are lining up another live performance for the end of March. Stay tuned for details on this presentation!

As I mentioned in the last newsletter, our Summer Camp sign up has begun and this year we have some incredibly cool new field trips, outreach programs, cooking activities and crafty creative projects lined up for the children. I am so excited to announce our new Hip Hop dance lessons program which I think will be a big hit with our summer campers this year. I am also thrilled to have a local cake bakery coming in to teach the children cake decorating after which they will get to take home their own creations. We have incredible field trips to exciting new destinations such as Extreme Challenge, Centennial Splash Park, Family Sports and many, many more fantastic places. Our calendar should be ready by Friday, so if your child(ren) have completed Kindergarten up through 4th grade, be sure to check out the BEST summer camp program before we run out of space.

Our staff training day on Monday, the 20th offered all of our teachers opportunities to complete required training hours in CPR, First Aid and Standard Precautions as well as time to complete on-line trainings through the early childhood website- [Colorado Shines](#). We also reviewed many important topics regarding child safety, classroom management and positive communication. My goal is to ensure that our staff is given the information and recommended techniques to provide a positive educational experience for the children. Thank you for understanding our need to close for the day so that we can provide these important meetings for our staff.

Who doesn't love the excitement of a Book Fair? Our next fair is scheduled for the week of March 6th through the 10th and will feature a wide selection of books for all ages of young children. We also like to offer specialty books for adults such as cook books, novels and self-help readings. Please support our fair because we use the proceeds to restock all of the classrooms with new books. Thank you for your participation!

In closing, I would like to thank everyone for choosing Highlands Ranch Learning Center for your child care needs and I ask that you let me know if you ever have any questions or suggestions about your child's experience with us. I value your input!

*Happy spring,
Teresa*

"People who say they sleep like babies, usually don't have them." - Leo J. Burke

Dates to Remember:

March

6-10- Scholastic Book Fair

21- Adventures of Super Natural at 10:30a.m.

31- Deadline for Summer Camp Registration

Staff Birthdays:

Please join us in wishing the following staff a

Happy Birthday!

Ms. Teresa – Director – March 20

Ms. Barb – Cottontails –April 1

Mr. Kurt – Building Engineer- April 1

Congratulations:

Please join us in congratulating the following staff for their years of service and dedication to HRLC:

Ms. Savana – Cougars – 1 year

Ms. Barb – Cottontails – 5 years

Ms. Maria – Foxes – 10 years

Ms. Whitnie – Bobcats - 3 years

Ms. Caitlin – Raccoons – 1 year

Ms. Debbie – Ducklings – 11 years

Ms. Rosario – Fawns – 3 years

Ms. Lindsay – Bobcats – 1 year

Ms. Kelley – Bear Cubs – 3 years