

# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

## A Letter from the Director

Dear Sprouts Families,

It's hard to believe we've reached the final month of the school year. This time always brings a mix of excitement, pride, and reflection as we look back on all the growth our students have made. From first steps to new friendships, it has been a joy to watch each child learn and thrive this year.

As we head into May, we also look forward to celebrating Provider Appreciation Day on May 8th. Our teachers pour so much love, energy, and intention into each day, and this is a special time to recognize the incredible work they do.

Thank you for trusting us with your children—we are so grateful to partner with your family each day.

Warmly,  
Paige Berg  
Director, Sprouts

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## Parent Tip of the Month

The weather is finally perfect for getting outside and exploring as a family!

We are so lucky to have amazing local parks right here in our community. One of our favorites is Scotch Ridge Nature Park, where families can:

- Play on natural playscapes
- Go for a walk or bike ride
- Explore and enjoy the outdoors together

Time outside supports physical development, sparks curiosity, and creates meaningful family moments. It doesn't have to be fancy—just getting outside together makes a big impact!

## What's Coming Up



### May 8 (7:30–8:30 AM) – Muffins with Moms

Moms—or any special female loved one—are invited to join us for a short outdoor breakfast as we celebrate the wonderful women in our students' lives. We hope you can join us for this sweet time together!



### Rainbow Room Graduation - May 22 at 10:30 AM

We will celebrate our Rainbow Room students as they complete their final full-time year at Sprouts. More details coming soon!

### Green Room Transition

Our Green Room students will be finishing their final year at Sprouts as they age out of our program.

**Last Day: May 28**

- May 22 – Rainbow Graduation
- May 25 – Sprouts Closed (Memorial Day)
- May 29 – Sprouts Closed (Turnover Day)
- June 1 – Start of Summer Program many students switching to new classrooms





## Staff Spotlight

Ms. Nikki loves this age for one big reason: the spark. That moment when a child's eyes light up because something finally clicks — it's her favorite part of the day.

She also brings plenty of humor to the classroom. Early on, she taught the kids that cubbies are for belongings — “This isn't your bedroom!” Now, if anything falls out, the kids beat her to it. They all know the line, and it still makes her laugh.

Her world is filled with stories like Brown Bear, Brown Bear, Where the Wild Things Are, and Dinos on the Go. And when she needs to recharge, it's Morning Glory coffee and a little silence.

## School Highlights

As we head into summer, we have a few important updates to share.

### Summer Activity Fee

Our Summer Activity Fee will be added soon to your Brightwheel account. This fee covers all supplies, transportation, and entry fees for our exciting summer field trips and events. We can't wait for all the fun ahead!

### Teacher Appreciation Week (May 4-8)

This is a special week where we celebrate the incredible teachers who care for and guide your children each day. We have a few fun surprises planned, but we also encourage families to take a moment to share a kind word, note, or message of appreciation.

Your encouragement means so much to our team and truly makes a difference.

## Featured Product: Insect Lore “Cup of Caterpillars”

Looking for a fun and meaningful spring activity? The Insect Lore Cup of Caterpillars is a wonderful hands-on STEM experience for families.

Children can watch real caterpillars grow, form chrysalides, and transform into butterflies right before their eyes. It's an incredible way to explore:

- Life cycles
- Nature and science
- Patience and observation

This activity is engaging for all ages and is a great way to involve older siblings, too!

Check it out here: <https://www.insectlore.com/collections/butterflies-butterfly-kits-with-live-caterpillars>

