



# Crossroads Co-op Preschool News

March 24, 2019

## For Snack

To help with our science lessons of spring and the changing of the seasons, Maura has asked for some snacks as follows:

- Apples: different forms – dried, fresh, chips, make apples juice, sauce or pie in class.
- Prepare an outdoor picnic on nice days
- Bake bread and have the children make butter.

## Thanks for you help in the Classroom

If you are the **block room** parent, you have a very important role in the classroom. There are a few extra things you are responsible for each day. Please review the items below and in the pocket of the block room apron.

- Monday the bicycles and wagon need to be brought out from the shed before class
- Each day the block room needs to be swept, especially on Wednesday when the blocks have all been put away
- Lock the front door at 9:30

## Maura's Mentions

### Butterflies and Letters

The butterfly caterpillars arrived last week and the children saw them grow from one day to the next. Monday morning will be exciting as there will be even bigger changes and soon the caterpillars will build their chrysalis. This science lesson for the children will last several weeks ending in the butterflies emerging from the chrysalis. Each morning at school you can ask your child about the changes they see and remind them not to touch the containers.

The easiest way for a child to start being interested in letters is to learn to write their name. I am continuing to help them do this by having them write their name or some letters from their name on their papers and creations. It is important to let the children do this themselves. In the classroom and outside they are encouraged to write names and/or three letter words with shells, sticks, and beads.

*Maura*

## Reminders

- Pay for Rail Road Museum field trip by March 25<sup>th</sup>
- There will be no school the week of April 8<sup>th</sup> for Spring Break