

Early Edition

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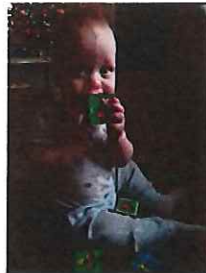


Early Head Start 1 & 2



Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year. We are all learning so much. We started by welcoming new families late in the summer. No matter what the season, we find ways to learn. Some of us are learning to climb stairs while others are just learning to sit up by themselves. We use walk behind toys to get us up and moving and in no time we are walking on our own. From there we are visiting the local playground equipment and learning to climb the stairs. We like to trace our hands and make things from them. We get to practice using scissors so we can cut things on our own. We learn from putting things on our heads and into our mouths so that someday, we only put food in our mouth. We learn from going shopping and sometimes we just need a shoulder to lean on. When our work, which is our play is done, we are off to sleep. Learning is fun and it happens every single day.

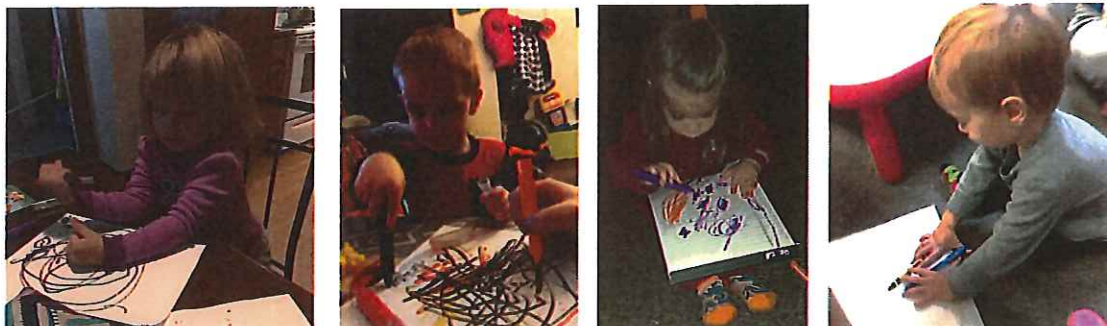
Please come to play groups! So much happens there. We get a chance to make friends, hold hands and even learn to use tools like scissors. We read books, sing and dance and even use some science skills to make play dough. We get to dress up as community helpers. We are learning how to make and eat healthy snacks. Play groups happen on Mondays twice a month at 10 am. Your home visitor will make sure you have the schedule so you can come and learn with us.



Early Head Start-3 with Miss Dee



Reading promotes emergent literacy and language development.



Scribbling and drawing are the first steps in learning to write.



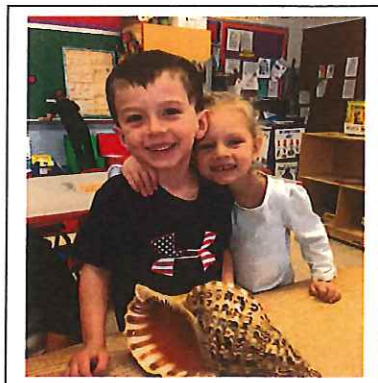
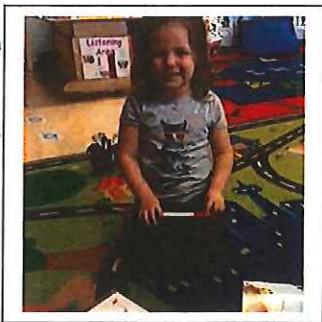
Start Smart - Start Early - Start at Home

Early Head Start #4

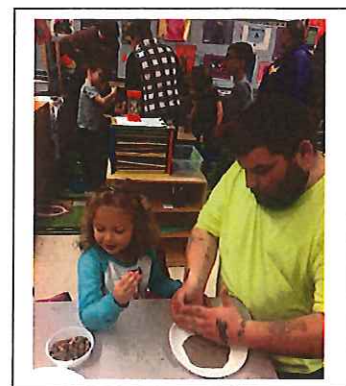
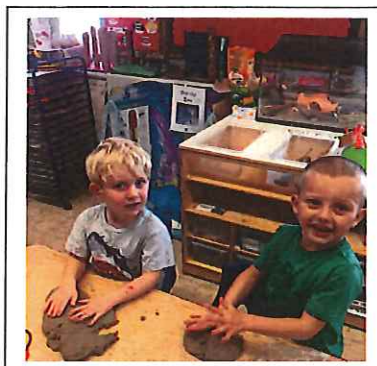
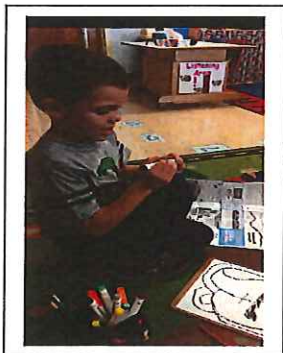


Parents Are The First Teachers

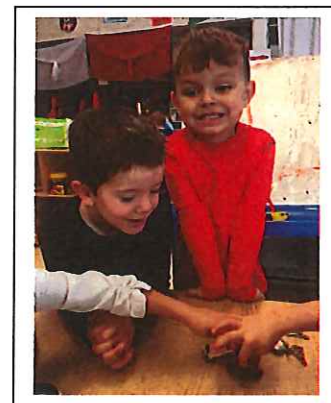




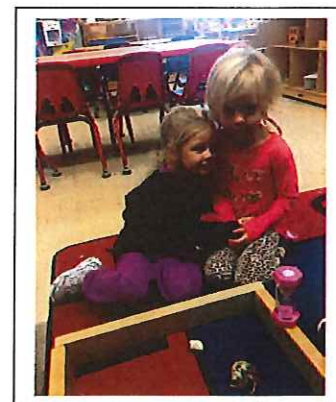
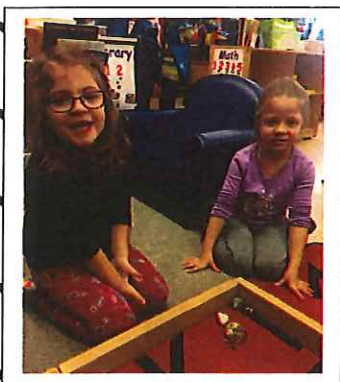
Berlin



The Sand Study
The students really enjoyed exploring/playing in the sand. They investigated where sand would be found at and the animals that live in the sand.



Miss Alisha
Miss Alyssa
Miss Missy



Conemaugh Township Center

Faranda Farm Field Trip



Having Fun with Pumpkins

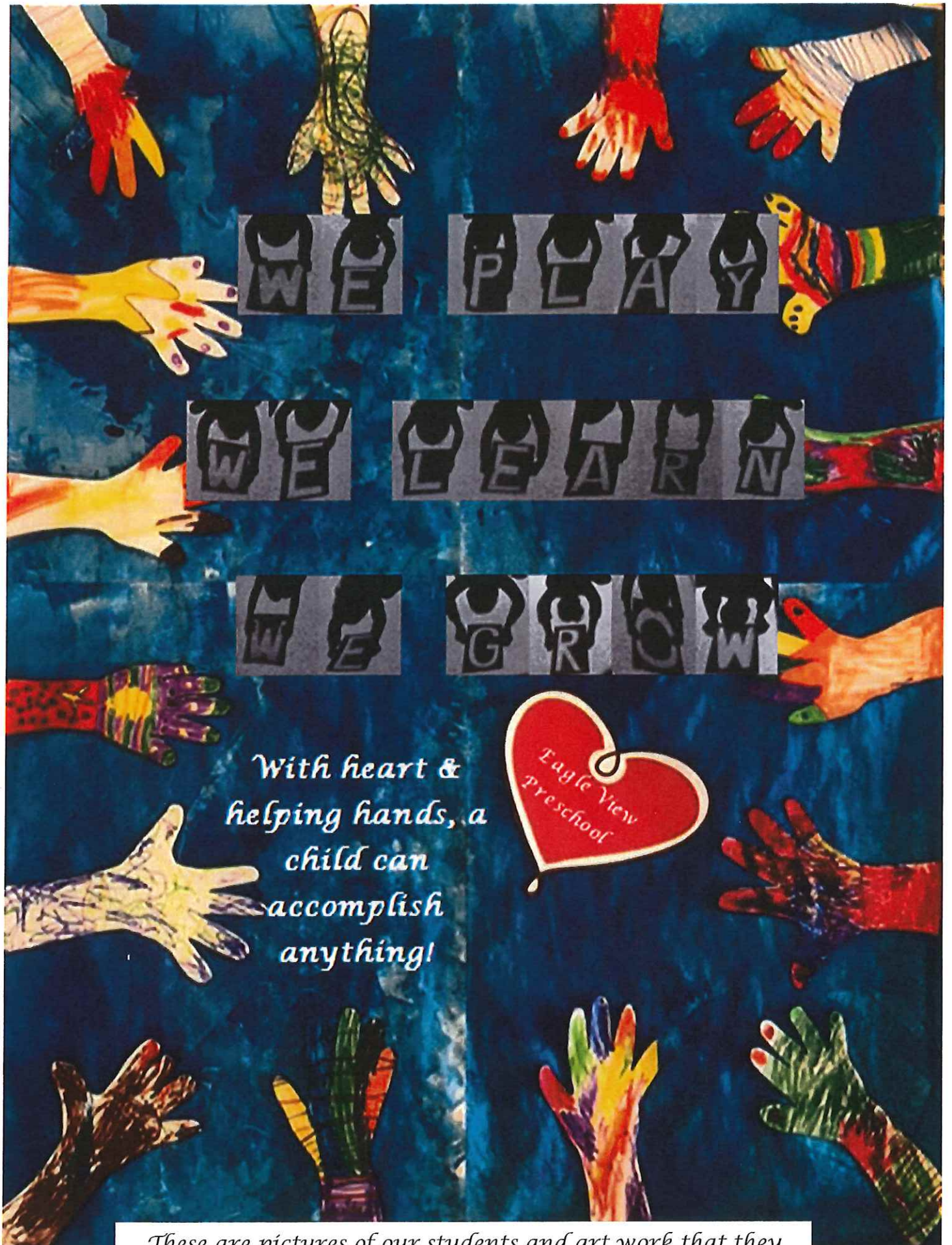


We have had a lot of visitors in our classroom.



Making Applesauce and Play Dough





*With heart &
helping hands, a
child can
accomplish
anything!*



These are pictures of our students and art work that they made and painted.



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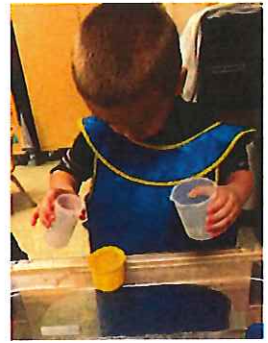
Sorting shapes



Using tools to complete a project



Using drawing and writing tools



Comparing amounts



Learning about letters



Exploring different types of music



Counting and identifying numbers

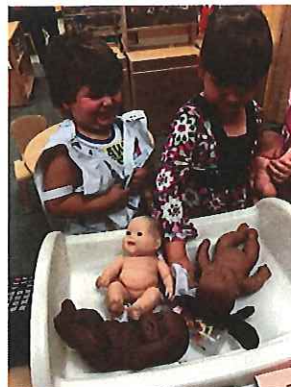
"Play is often talked about as if it were a relief from serious learning. But for children, play is serious learning."
—Mr. Rogers

Kantner Preschool: A fun place to learn!

TELL ME AND I FORGET.
TEACH ME AND I REMEMBER.
INVOLVE ME AND I LEARN.
BENJAMIN FRANKLIN



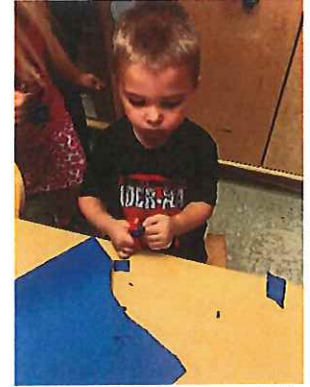
Science experiments



Making friends



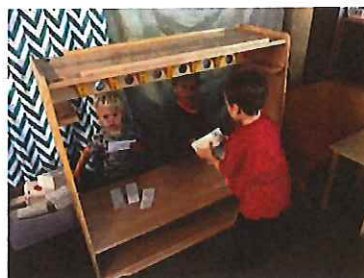
Learning about life cycles



Increasing scissor skills



Exploring Earth Science



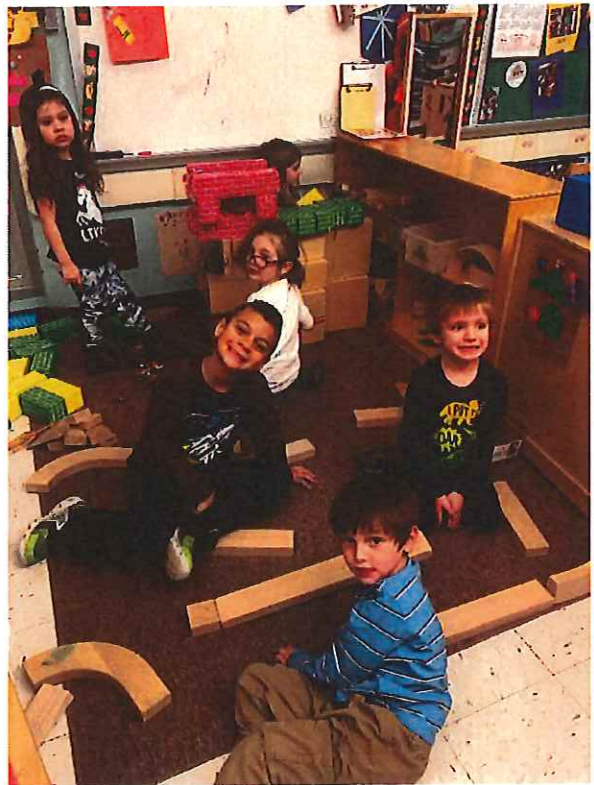
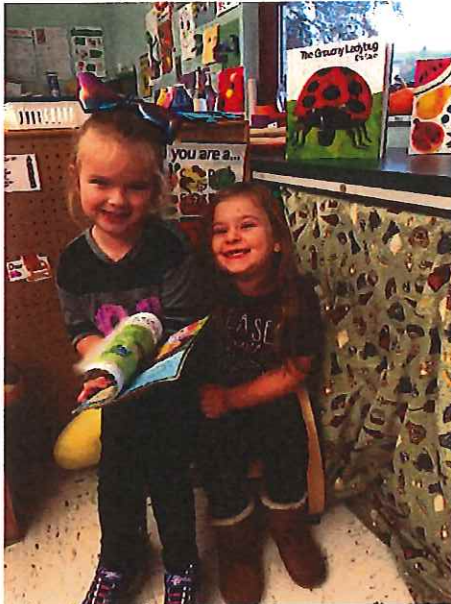
Taking turns



Interacting positively with peers



Maple Ridge





*The leaves may fall but we stand tall growing by leaps and bounds at Meyersdale 1
Preschool! Happy Fall to all! ~ Tree Study learning fun for everyone!*

Meyersdale 2



During this activity, children are practicing their fine motor skills and patterning. The children were putting beads on a pipe cleaner making it into a candy cane.



Mrs. Claus and her Elves visited our classroom.





In the last 2 pictures, parents came in for a Celebration of Learning about Insects. In this activity, parents are helping their children make caterpillars by using a balloon.



Children are investigating the hermit crab.



Rockwood Preschool Fall 2018



Laurel Hill State Park
Visitor Deb Phillippi
and Smokey The Bear
came to visit our
classroom.



**We are falling
into the new
year!!!**

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Celebration of Learning



Parents



it's not "just play"

Play is an essential part of early learning. It is the lifeblood of the learning process. As children play they are developing the cognitive, socio-emotional and physical skills they will need to take them into a successful adulthood.

They are developing their curiosity, problem solving, intentionality, flexibility, and verbal & non verbal skills.

Socio-emotionally they are developing their emotional intelligence - learning confidence, cooperation, negotiation, sharing, empathy and how to communicate appropriately.

Physically their fine motor and gross motor skills are being practised and developed.

It's not "just play" they are skills for life!

MHC Early Childhood Solutions

Community



Teachers



Shade Preschool

Miss Joyce, Miss Jess, Miss Amanda

Tech Center



Our Student Teachers have been helping us to work on our school readiness skills



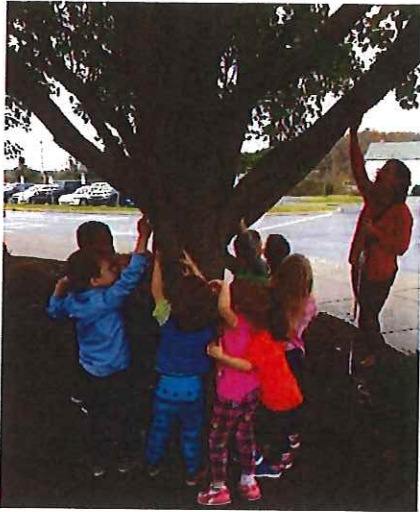
Students from the Forestry Program came to talk to us about how trees grow healthy and strong



Mr. Bittner in the Carpentry Program helped us build a bird house for the birds that live near our playground!



Miss Ruthie has been teaching us about ways to keep our bodies healthy through the HALO Curriculum



The Tree Study

The teachers and students took a walk around the school to talk about deciduous and evergreen trees which is something we are learning about in our Tree Study.

After we talked about the two types of trees, felt their bark, and checked their circumference, the students went around with their paper bags to collect different parts of trees. We later discussed the different parts and put them in the science area for the students to explore.

