



## Out and About

As you know if you have children in a Prekindergarten 1-4 class or older, our kids are on the move and active in the community.

We believe that learning outside of the classroom is a valuable part of the preschool and kindergarten experience. We are fortunate to have a fleet of six buses so our students can be seen all around town.

Our kindergarten class collected a bus full of pet food and toys — thanks to your generosity — and delivered the supplies to the Humane Society in February.

That trip, along with an adventure at the McMillen Center for Health Education — are just two of many that Pine Hills Kids have enjoyed so far this year.



## Bev's Corner

There is a great article in this month's newsletter on the importance of motor skills. The great thing about developing small and large muscle skills is that it happens naturally through play — lots of play.

That is why our curriculum is developed around play. The skills that your child is learning here in preschool create a wonderful foundation for literacy and math skills, as well as social, emotional, and problem-solving skills.

Dr. Meyerhoff, an author and researcher with the Harvard Preschool Project says, "Young children are learning to learn. As they indulge their natural inclinations to explore, investigate, and experiment through developmentally appropriate play, they acquire the fundamental concepts and capacities that allow them to effectively absorb from — and adapt to — the ever-changing environment around them for the rest of their lives. I have posted a link to Dr. Meyerhoff's website on the Pine Hills Learning Place website.

*Architect Frank Lloyd Wright attributed his success to an early love of block play.*

## Calendar

<b>May 21</b>	Spring Program — <i>Carroll Road Campus, Pine Hills Church — 7 p.m.</i>
<b>May 22</b>	Spring Program — Kindergarten Readiness Class <i>Coldwater Road Campus — 6:30 p.m.</i>
<b>May 23</b>	Kindergarten Graduation — <i>Coldwater Road Campus — 7 p.m.</i>
<b>May 27</b>	Memorial Day — <i>Closed</i>
<b>June 3</b>	Summer Day Camp begins
<b>July 4</b>	Independence Day — <i>Closed</i>
<b>August 16</b>	Summer Camp Ends
<b>August 19</b>	Pine Hills Learning Place private kindergarten begins
<b>August 26</b>	Pine Hills Learning Place part-time kindergarten readiness classes begin

## Being Social on Social Media

We want to give a big thanks to all of you who "Like" us on Facebook and who follow and comment on our posts. We really appreciate your interest in us and your children. Pictures and quotes from your children appear regularly, as well as fun tidbits and parenting tips.

We also update our website regularly. The new summer camp calendar is available on the website. We will post any changes to the calendar on our site. This year promises to be a fun-filled, exciting summer once again for our day campers.