Sunday, August 1 | First tuition payment due

Tuesday, September 7 or Wednesday, September 8 | First day of school. We start the year by “Gradual Entry.” Example: If your child is enrolled to attend on TTh, half of the children will come to class on Tuesday, and the other half will come to class on Thursday. The following week, all children will attend together. You will receive a welcome email from your child’s teachers with their photos, your child’s start date, and other information, in the middle of August.

Tuesday, September 14 | 10:00 am OR Wednesday, September 15 | 8:00 pm “Welcome to the 2021/22 Nature Preschool Year” Parent-Teacher orientation on Zoom. Parents may choose to participate in either session.

Saturday, September 18 | 9:00 am – 10:00 am Pre-K Hike No Fee/No Registration
Self-guided outdoor hike just for Preschool Families to familiarize parents and children with trails and staff.
9:00 am – 9:30 am Pick up map & bookmark in the Gardens Outdoor Classroom, in front of Preschool Entrance
9:00 am – 10:00 am Teachers will be out on the trails to meet you

Tuesday, October 5 | 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm Parents Night Out - Parents only. Free to all Preschool parents.
Sign up across from Laurie’s desk.
6:30 pm Meet at the Pavilion
Bring your favorite beverage in a Yeti, enjoy camaraderie, a great view and a campfire.
7:30 pm -8:30 pm Night Hike led by Moya Mowbray, Schlitz Audubon Naturalist

Saturday, October 9 | 9:00 am – 12:00 pm Open House for Class of 2022/23
All four of our beautiful Outdoor Classrooms will be staffed by our teachers to introduce new families to our Nature Preschool.

Monday, November 22 & Tuesday, November 23 | NO SCHOOL Parent-Teacher Telephone Conferences
Teachers will provide sign-up sheets for times.

Wednesday, November 24 - Friday, November 26 | NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Break

Wednesday, December 8 & Thursday, December 9 | 8:45 am and 12:15 pm Vision Screenings (Auditorium)

Monday, December 20 or Tuesday, December 21 | 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm Winter Solstice Family Hike.
(MWF families will attend Monday, TTH families will attend Tuesday. K4 families will come one of the two evenings.) Meet us on the Veranda to pick up your paper lantern and join us on a teacher led-hike under the Solstice moon!

Wednesday, December 22 –Tuesday, January 4 | NO SCHOOL Winter Break

Wednesday, January 5 | Nature Preschool Resumes

Monday, January 17 | NO SCHOOL Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Tuesday, January 18 | 2022/2023 Priority Registration for returning students and siblings of former students. Applications for the next school year are available online by late November-early December. Then, starting on this date, we will pull forms in random order and place your children in their desired class choice.

Monday January 24 | 2022/2023 Priority Registration begins for members of the Center.
Monday January 31 | 2022/2023 Registration begins for the general public.

Thursday, February 17 and Friday, February 18 | NO SCHOOL  Professional Development Days for Preschool Team

Monday, March 21 – Friday, March 25 | NO SCHOOL  Spring Break

Monday, March 28 | Nature Preschool Resumes

Friday, April 15 & Monday, April 18 | NO SCHOOL  Late Spring Break

Tuesday, April 26 | 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm Parents Date Night Out - Parents only. Free to all Preschool parents.
Sign up across from Laurie’s desk.
   6:30 pm Meet at the Pavilion
     Bring your favorite beverage in a yeti, enjoy camaraderie, a great view and a campfire.
   7:30 pm - 8:30 pm Night Hike led by AJ Grill, Schlitz Audubon Naturalist

Saturday, May 14 | 9:00 am – 12:00 pm Family Spring Celebration
Come celebrate a wonderful year at the Nature Center!
   Pop up Shop featuring Parent-Owned Businesses
   Child Led Hikes – let your child lead you on their favorite trails
   11:00 am  Special visit with a raptor at the Amphitheater

Friday, June 3 | Last Day of School 12:00 pm - until as long as you’d like to stay! End of Year Picnic at Doctor’s Park

Please note: All dates and events are subject to change.