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Director's Corner

On March 6th, staff will participate in professional day. Several training sessions will be completed in the morning. Staff will also have time to work in the classrooms. Each classroom and staff will be given tools to help with construction of their classroom to meet the current requirements for DCFS and the environmental rating scale. Individual sessions will be held to allow each age group to become acclimated to Creative Curriculum and the new Christian Living unit.

Last month the classrooms really enjoyed being able to get outside. The children really enjoyed the fresh air and ability to run. It is not very often that we get such nice play days in the winter. We are very thankful for those days. The preschoolers really had fun watching the demolition of the building on Jackson Street. We were all in awe and amazement. Such a great unplanned science and discovery adventure!!

March
2017

Staff Work Anniversary



Below is a little Q & A with **Diane Manion**

How long have you been employed w/ Children's House?

- 9 years this month.

How long have you been in Early Childhood?

- 9 years.

What do you enjoy the most about the Early Childhood field?

- I enjoy the children the most.

If you could travel anywhere, where would you go?

- I would go to Waco, Texas.

Tell us something we may not know about you?

- I have been married for 40 years.

Tell us something you would like us to know about you?

- I have 3 daughters and 6 grandchildren.

Classroom News

Baby Bunnies

Rowan is beginning to stand. We have a ton of walkers; **Ava, Kaydence** and **Myla**. **Susanna** is saying **Dada** and **Mason** is rolling all over the place. **Iyla** is a great new addition to our class. We welcome **Weston** and can't wait to love on him.

Miss Veronica
Miss Kathy
Miss Loretta
Miss Annie

Sunshines

Everyone really enjoyed the nice weather last month. It was so nice to get outside and enjoy the fresh air. The Sunshine's are looking forward to spending even more time outside exploring. Please check your child's cubby for extra changes of clothing and weather appropriate outer wear.

Our weekly themes during the month of March will be Dr. Suess, windy weather, St. Patrick's Day and Rainbows. The color green and the shamrock shape will be explored as well. March often provides windy weather, which is a wonderful science unit for us!

Our Valentine's Day party was a huge success! Everyone had a lot of fun. A big thank you goes out to the families who brought in treats and made donations to our classroom for the party and throughout the month of February. Your generosity and kindness is very much appreciated.

Miss Alison
Miss Sandy
Miss Diane

Busy Bees

The Busy Bees say goodbye to our farm animals. We are excited that Spring is coming. This month, we are going to learn so much about Spring and St. Patrick's Day so please dress your child according to the weather. We can't wait to go outside as much as possible.

Thank you so much for this month's donations and the help for the Valentine's Day Party.

We are sad to say goodbye to Ava and Daisy. We wish them the best of luck! We are so happy to welcome Parker and Campbell to our classroom. We are going to have a blast!

Our themes this month are:

Week 1: Up In The Sky
Week 2: St. Patrick's Day
Week 3: Spring 1
Week 4: Spring 2

Happy March!

Miss Tian
Miss Nicole

March Birthdays

Staff Birthdays

3/1 Miss Nicole
3/2 Miss Diane

Child Birthdays

Aiden – Toddler room
Erik – Toddler room
Ryleigh– 3's room
Ava– 3's room

Classroom News

Shooting Stars

Our weather has been like a Lamb for some time now, which makes the Shooting Stars happy – we ain't Lion!

Our themes this month are:

March 6-10: Spring

March 13-17: St. Patrick's Day

March 20-24: Rainbows

March 27-March 3: Wind / Kites

We would like to wish Ryleigh & Ava a very Happy Birthday this month. They will both be turning 4 in March!

Welcome to the Shooting Star room Calvin & Charlie. We are so excited to have you join our room this month.

On March 16, (a day early we know) we will all wear green to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. Also, plan to bring a green snack that day to share. Ideas will be on the door.

Have a great month everyone.

Miss Tami
Miss Amanda



Rainbows

Oh, how does the wind blow? Oh how does it? Will March come in like a Lion or like a Lamb? Through science, the Rainbows will discover the answers to these questions. "Marching into March" will be our monthly theme. This month we will celebrate St. Patrick's Day. We will keep moving down the alphabet with the letters S, T, & U. Shamrocks & ovals will be everywhere to find.

Feb 27 – Mar 3: Dr. Seuss/Letter S
Mar 6-10: Windy weather/Letter T
Mar 13-17: St. Patrick's Day/Letter U
Mar 20-24: Transportation/Letter review
Mar 27-31: Samuel

On March 17, our class will celebrate St. Patrick's Day. Many fun events are planned including games, songs, cooking, and even a surprise visit from a leprechaun. He will come into our classroom while we are playing. What will our room look like when we return?

Last month we welcomed Miss Kayla into our classroom. We are excited to have her here!

Miss Kayla
Miss Rachael



Did you know?

Central Baptist Church volunteers prepare a meal each **Wednesday night** as an opportunity to share with each other around the dinner table. Children's House families are invited to join as well. Dinner is served cafeteria style from 4:45 to 5:45 p.m. Carryout meals are also available. The cost is \$5.00 for adults and \$1.50 for children and includes your choice of the menu of the evening or a chef salad. If you plan to order, please let the church office know by noon on Tuesday by contacting the church office (523-3639 or office@CBCchurchfamily.org) Please indicate if you want the meal or salad.



Central Baptist Church Worship Hours

Downtown Springfield:

- 9:15 to 10:15 AM - Sunday School
- 10:15 to 10:45 AM - Fellowship Time
- 10:45 AM – Worship

New Berlin:

- 9:30 AM - Worship
- 10:30 AM - Sunday School

Happy Spring!

As we get outside and tend to the needs of our lawns and gardens, how about tending to the needs of our spouses? Relationships thrive when needs are met and falter when they are not met. That fact, quite simply, is non-negotiable. Successful relationships come down to basic questions about our core needs:

- What do I need in a relationship in order to feel loved, happy, fulfilled, and secure?
- What do you need in a relationship to feel the same?
- Are you willing to meet my needs in this relationship?
- Am I willing to meet yours?

If our partners are unwilling to meet our needs, the relationship cannot thrive. If we are unwilling to meet our partner's needs, the outcome remains the same. If your partner's needs challenge you in some way, are you willing to find a compromise? Our core needs are not negotiable. However, how those needs are met is negotiable.

Click here to read more of "Why You Need to Accept Your Partner's Needs." The article is part of the Gottman Institute's new email newsletter The Marriage Minute that will improve your marriage in 60 seconds or less. Over 40 years of research with thousands of couples has proven a simple fact: small things often can create big changes over time.

Are you wondering if your relationship might need a tune up? Take the [Relationship Maintenance Survey](#) to find out. For monthly couples, individual, and family tips, please sign up for our [e-newsletter](#). For daily relationship tips, follow us on [facebook](#). For more information about any ConnectEdPAIRS service, please visit our website at www.connectedpairs.com, stop by, call, or email me in the counseling office. I look forward to talking with you soon.

Warmly,
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