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Director's Corner

There are so many exciting things happening this month, as we jump into a new school year. Everyone seems to be settling nicely and enjoying their new classrooms. The teachers have done an excellent job preparing their classrooms for another year of fun and learning.

Let's get excited about learning and our center with Spirit week. Show your school spirit by joining us on these fun themed days. This year's theme will be "There is no place like Children's House", based on the Wizard of Oz. Activities will be happening throughout the center in accordance with theme of the day.

Monday 17th: The great and powerful OZ: Wear green or come dressed as your favorite Wizard of Oz Character.

Tuesday 18th: Twister Tuesday: Come dressed wacky and mix-matched.

Wednesday 19th: Over the rainbow: classrooms wear assigned colors of the Rainbow. Infants - red, Toddlers - Orange Twos - Yellow, Pre-K Threes - Green Pre-K Fours - blue and Support Staff - purple.

Thursday 20th- Lions, tigers and Bears OH MY! - come dressed as an animal or wear something with an animal on it or animal print

Friday 21st- Dream day "Dreams that you dare to dream really come true"- Wear your P.J.s.

Director's Corner continued:

Please join us for Open House on September 18th from 5:30-6:30. All month long your children will be preparing their classrooms with art work and activities to share with you on this fun night. Teachers will have activities happening inside the room. Please feel free to explore other classrooms as well. There will also be a snack to make with your little one to take home or enjoy there. You do not want to miss the experience to explore the center with your little one, who will be excited to share their room with you!

Have a great September,
Thank you,
Miss Judy
Children's House Director

September Birthdays

Children

9/2 Corinne, Pre-K Rainbows
9/4 Conor, Pre-K Rainbows
9/11 Ridge, Pre-K Shooting Stars
9/18 Pierson, Sunshines
9/15 Lincoln, Pre-K Shootings Stars
9/21 Ellie, Pre-K, Rainbows
9/24 Norah, Pre-K Shooting Stars
9/29 Jaxsyn, Pre-K Rainbows
9/29 Megan, Pre-K Rainbows

Staff

9/30 Miss Karlene

Classroom News

Busy Bees

The summer has passed us by! The Busy Bees had so much fun this summer, learning and exploring, and surely growing! We welcome our new friends; Chris, Isaac, Jack, Warrick, and Amelia to our class and sadly say goodbye and good luck to our big kids; Mason, Brandon, Susanna, and Liam. They are moving to the Sunshine room. We wish them the best!

This month we will focus on fine motor skills and language arts. This month's theme is Sea Creatures.

Week 1: My favorite

Week 2: All About Me, Jesus Loves Me

Week 3: Language-Colors, Shapes

Week 4: Language-Alphabet

Miss Tian
Miss Miyah

Baby Bunnies

This month our two friends Amelia and Warrick graduate into the Busy Bees. Magnolia is our walking "Frankenstein" as mom calls her. Mark is keeping us on our toes as he progresses to a toddler. Farrah, with her outgoing and loving personality, greets anyone she meets.

Our class has grown from a majority of graduating friends to now catering to babies 2 months to 6 months. Grayson loves a good cuddle while Karson prefers to look around and watch his friends. Jack, with his winning smile, charms everyone he meets. Max has begun the discovery of table food and enjoys it immensely. Gunnar is our happy boy who is happy no matter what. Last, we welcome Gentry into our room and cannot wait to spoil her.

Miss Veronica
Miss Loretta
Miss Jo Jo

Sunshines

It's the beginning of a new school year in the Sunshine room! Some very dear friends are graduating to Shooting Stars: Hope, E.J., Ridge, Norah, Stephano, and Ashlyn, and we will miss them very much! We also welcome new friends from the Busy Bees: Mason, Brandon Y, Susanna, Liam, and Brandon. We are so glad to meet you!

Our first week focus: Getting to Know You!
Please bring a picture of your child and his or her family so we can hang them up and discuss. Thank you!

Our second week focus: Our Classroom
We will learn and play together in our centers and work on learning how to have fun and be safe while beginning work on Letter, Shape, Color, and Name recognition—skills we will continue to sharpen all year.

Our third week focus: You and Me!
We will focus on Letters and Sounds, then make and decorate our room with alphabet related art to create a print rich environment.

Our fourth week focus: Count on Me!
We will focus on counting together and numbers will be a part of our art work. We will talk about long/short, lots/few, big/little and other pre-math concepts.

This month's birthday friends are Ridge, Norah, and Pierson.

Miss Alison
Miss Erica

Rainbows continued..

Shooting Stars

Summer is officially over, and our school schedule is back in effect. Thank you to our numerous volunteers over the summer—we couldn't have done it without all of your help.

Here are our September themes:

- Sept. 3-7: All About Me
- Sept. 10-14: Apples
- Sept. 17-21: Nursery Rhymes
- Sept. 24-28: In A Book

This month many of our friends moved up to the Rainbow Room. We will miss you Calvin, Charlie, Aubree, Conor, Corinne, Hunter, Isabelle, Lillian, Lydia, Megan, and Noah. We also say goodbye to Hudson and Mohammed who have gone to other schools.

With the move comes new friends. We are happy to welcome Norah, Ridge, Stephano, Ashlyn, Hope, EJ, and Patsy. Happy Birthday this month to Lincoln who turns 4! Also, to Norah and Ridge, turning 3.

We look forward to a wonderful school year!

Miss Amanda
Miss Tami

Rainbows

Welcome to the Rainbow Class! Our Visiting Week went very well, and we are thrilled to have our new friends: Charlie, Calvin, Aubree, Corinne, Isabelle, Conor, Noah, Lydia, Hunter, Lillian, and Megan. They settled in during visiting week and are well on their way to a fun-filled year of learning in the Rainbow Room.

We are looking forward to getting to know you and your child. In this class, we will work on self-help skills, small and large motor skills, letter and number recognition, communication, and several other cognitive social skills. We will cover these areas using a variety of methods to ensure that learning is always fun and interesting for your child as we prepare for Kindergarten.

Our classroom is theme-based; meaning every week has a theme and every day we discuss a different topic pertaining to that theme. We will integrate this them into most activities throughout the day.

We also concentrate on one letter of the alphabet every week, with the exception of our Christian living week. We will work on recognizing this letter, practice sounding it out, try writing it, and naming things that begin with this letter.

Sept. 3-7: All About Me (I am Special),
Letter A

Sept. 10-14: Emotions, Letter B

Sept. 17-21: Five Senses, Letter C

Sept. 24-28: Discovering the Bible

We hope everyone has a good first month! Happy Birthday this month to Conor, Corinne, and Megan!

Miss Kayla
Miss Rachel

Staff Spotlight

Miss Alison, Sunshine Room:

How many years have you been in the early childhood field?

Over twenty years altogether in early childhood including Montessori time. 10 years at Children's House

What you do enjoy most about teaching?

I enjoy the most watching as children grow and marveling at how early on their lives they develop their personalities. And how loving they are.

What is something we may not know about you?

Something you may not know about me is that I am ambidextrous and can write backwards as well as I can forward. I can also draw upside down.

If you could travel anywhere, where would it be?

If I could travel anywhere I would like to go somewhere really cold.... like the Scandinavian countries or Canada. I like cold.

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

Wednesday Night Dinners have resumed!

Central Baptist Church volunteers prepare a meal the first and third Wednesday nights of each month during the regular school year 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.

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)

Parenting

ConnectEdPAIRS is growing! We are pleased to welcome Donna Givens, RN, LCPC to our staff.

Donna works with children, adolescents, and adults. She works with individuals, couples, and groups. Her specialties are behavior problems, mood disorders, grief, and changing behaviors. She also provides non-DUI-related substance abuse treatment.

Donna Givens is a Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor who has worked in the mental health field for over 35 years. She started as a Registered Nurse on an inpatient psychiatric unit and did that for almost 15 years. She worked in the substance abuse field for five years. She also worked in community mental health for close to 15 years. She was a group facilitator in a partial hospitalization program as well.

Donna is accepting new clients at both the Springfield and Jacksonville locations. She currently accepts Cigna insurance and self-pay clients.

Blessings,
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