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Director's Corner

Many fun memories were created this summer! Our time went by quickly and the end of summer is always bittersweet for us. This month we say good-bye to the summer program, as they return back to school. The Pre-K Rainbows will also be saying farewell to their friends as they begin life in Kindergarten.

A preschool graduation will be held on **August 9th at 6 p.m.** to honor the graduates. It has been our joy to care for each family who will be graduating that evening. We wish them many blessings on their new adventure.

The end of summer also means new beginnings. The "new" school year begins on August 26th, with visiting week beginning the 19th. Children who will be promoting to the next classroom will receive information in their mailbox. A Pre-K school Meet Your Teacher night will also be held in August. More information will be sent home soon. This informational evening will cover the structure and curriculum of your child's classroom.

Judy

Children's House Director

August 2019

INFORMATION STATION

Reminder:

As the summer ends and students return or enter school, please remember to provide a two-week written notice of your last day to the main office.

Classroom needs:

Our classrooms love to turn their creative ideas into artwork in their classroom art stations. We enjoy it so much that we have used all the scrap paper we have. In the past, our families have kindly helped us with donating paper. The Work- place extras seem to be the best! If you have any scrap paper that you know is getting recycled, we would love to give it a second life!

Playground Update:

We happily announce that the playground plans have been finalized and submitted. We should be able to break ground by September, when our order arrives. More information will be proved at that time.



Classroom News

Baby Bunnies

Summer is flying by in the Baby Bunnies room! They are having fun playing with toys, listening to music, and blowing bubbles.

Grayson C is a professional walker and loves to guide his teachers around the room, showing them things. He also loves to help rock and feed the little ones.

Esadora has started standing and walking along the play toy shelf. She is doing well with her sippy cup and loves to practice making different sounds and babbles.

Bingham has started to crawl all around and now says the word, "bubbles", and enjoys trying to make all of his friends and teachers smile.

Lane is crawling everywhere and is getting multiple teeth. He is pulling up on the toy shelf and loves playing with the walkers.

Grayson K has gone from 0 to 60! He is crawling quickly and pulling himself up on everything he an reach. He has also started table food.

Dylan loves to smile and be talked to. He loves cuddles and enjoys watching his friends play.

Leonard is doing well sitting up and holding his head up on his own. He loves being talked to and being held.

We've been having a great summer so far!

Ms. Loretta Ms. Jo Jo Ms. Amanda H.

August Birthdays

<u>Children</u>

8/4 Farrah, Busy Bees
8/8 Aubree, Rainbows
8/8 Susanna, Sunshines
8/9 Kayleigh, Sunshines
8/11 Magnolia, Busy Bees
8/25 Liam, Sunshines

<u>Teachers</u> 8/17 Ms. Kayla 8/18 Ms. Tami

Busy Bees

Our theme this month is bugs! We are going to learn all about our creepy crawly friends. With the winter approaching us very fast, it's important for the Busy Bees to learn and identify the bugs while they're still out!

We would like to thank Ms. Tondrie for everything she has done for the toddler curriculum as we say goodbye to her in August. She will be missed very much!

We would also like to wish Magnolia and Farrah a very happy birthday!

Please check your daily sheets to ensure your child has the essentials.

Ms. Tondrie Ms. Gracie

Sunshines

In August we will continue taking our walks, heat index permitting. Please make sure, especially on Wednesdays (Farmer's Market day) that your child has on socks (blisters happen) and well-fitting shoes.

Even though it may be hot, we will have all kinds of cool fun learning about animals and exploring our usual areas of learning through experiencing how animals behave and live.

Our themes this month are:

Week One: Animals in the Woods Week Two: Animals in the Zoo Week Three: Animals from the Past (Dinosaurs) Week Four: Animals and Noah's Ark

> Ms. Erica Ms. Alison

Shooting Stars

We cannot believe that our summer is coming to a close. We have had SO much fun this summer.

Our Themes this month are:

Aug. 5-9: Fair/Circus Aug. 12-16: Community Helpers Aug. 19:23: Transition Week August 26-30: All About Me

Thank you to our many volunteers who have accompanied us on our trips so far. It is always a wonderful help to have extra hands.

Our Chuck-E-Cheese trip is Aug. 16 – a correction from the summer letter.

PLEASE, as it is still hot and sunny, make sure your child has on sunscreen prior to arriving at school. It makes it much easier for us to leave for trips on time.

Happy August everyone!

Ms. Amanda S. Ms. Tami

Rainbows

Welcome to the very busy and exciting month of August. The Rainbows had a great summer. For the month of august our theme will be about Science, Dinosaurs, bugs and outer space.

> July 29 – Aug. 2: Bugs Aug. 5 - 9: Dinosaurs Aug. 12 - 16: Outer Space Aug. 19 - 23: Christian Living: The Lord Is My Shepherd.

Of course our big event this month is Graduation! Getting ready for Kindergarten is a huge milestone for preschoolers. All this month we will be learning about Kindergarten; what to expect and how they feel about it. We will go over familiar concepts dealing with new adventures in their new school.

August 9 at 6pm will be our Rainbow graduation in honor of our graduates. Please have your child in the classroom by 5:45pm. We will miss everyone and has been a joy to work with you

> Ms Rachel Ms. Kayla

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

If you are looking for a church home you are welcome to join us at any of our services.

Wednesday Night Dinners

Central Baptist Church volunteers prepare a meal the first and third Wednesday nights of each month during the regular school year (September – May) 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 Ann or Mason in the church office know by noon on Tuesday by calling (523-3639 or email ann@CBCchurchfamily.org)



Couples Article

Are you a trustworthy spouse? As with most things, it is easier to see what our spouse could do better than to see where we ourselves could improve. Meygan Caston of Marriage 365 offers these questions for selfreflection before confronting your spouse.

Are you reliable? – Follow through with what you say you will do.

Do you admit your mistakes? – Ideally, before being asked.

Do you gossip? – Know the difference between seeking advice and "character assassination."

Do you show compassion? – Practice empathy and goodwill.

Parenting Article

Are you living vicariously through your children? We all want our children to have great lives, so it can be hard to tell sometimes when we have crossed the line into fulfilling our own missed dreams through our children rather than guiding our children to live their own dreams. Olivia Willis offers some thoughts for selfreflection of our motives for pushing our children in a certain direction.

Are sports or other activities more important to you than to your child? Do you say "we" when talking about the game or event? Are you more concerned with results than your child is? Are you pushing your child to play or participate when he or she does not enjoy it? Does your child take initiative to participate even when not required? Does your child enjoy talking about the activity?

Do you pay attention to your child and talk to him or her about additional topics other than the activity? Pushing our children can actually backfire and cause them to choose not to pursue a sport or activity when they are only participating to please us or gain our attention.

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