

Learn & Play Christian Early Learning Center Newsletter

March 2018



Happy Almost Spring! March just sounds so much more like spring than February! We have been able to get outside again on days when it isn't too muddy. With that in mind, please be sure you are sending your child to school in a warm jacket AND that they have extra clothes here in the event of a mud slide! Boots or an extra pair of shoes is also a good idea until we dry out a little. Even the babies are getting out for walks again and to use their new play area, so please dress them appropriately.



Thank you to everyone that sent in soup cans for our Souper-Bowl collection. Our final count was 121 cans. Yay, Team Learn & Play! All cans were donated to the Branford Food Pantry.



During the month of March we will talk about seasons, focusing on spring, St. Patrick's Day, Healthy Eating, and of course, Easter. Our Bible stories will be the miracles of Jesus and preparation for Easter. Our faith point is: He is Alive and our memory verse is: "He is not here, He has risen." Luke 24:6. As if there is any doubt, March is definitely coming in like a lion!

During the month of February we talked about how to keep our teeth clean and healthy and had a visit from Dr. Gallo who showed us how to brush properly and brought us goody bags of toothbrushes, toothpaste and a 2 minute timer. Thank you Dr. Gallo!



Parent teacher Conferences for three and four year old classes will take place on March 19th and 20th. We encourage all parents to sign up for a conference to discuss your child's development with their teacher. Children under the age of three will also have the opportunity to discuss their child with their teacher. If you desire to meet with your child's teacher, please see the sign up sheet in your classroom or speak to them directly to make arrangements.



Our annual class and individual pictures will be taken on **Wednesday, April 4th**, **during class time**. Mr. Chris from Studio One Photography will be with us once again to take each child's picture individually as well as with their class. If your child does not normally attend on Wednesday, please see me for a scheduled time that you may come in to have their picture taken. Once pictures are taken, packages are printed and sent back to the school for your viewing. If you wish to purchase the package, you may do so at that time. No obligation, however, L&P does receive a small percentage of the purchase price as a fundraiser. If you have not seen the picture packages in the past, I think you will be very surprised at how awesome a job Mr. Chris does!



End of Year Celebration and Family Picnic will take place on Wednesday, June 20th (Approximate time is 4 or 4:30pm) Save the date! This is always a fun time of musical presentations, Pre-K graduation and a family picnic. Thursday, June 21st will be our last normal day of school for the year. We will be CLOSED on Friday, June 22nd in order to prepare for summer camp which will start on Monday, June 25th.



Woo-hoo!!! (As if there was any doubt what my favorite season is!) As stated above, the last week of our school year will be the week of June 18-21. We will be closed on Friday, June 22nd to prepare for our summer sessions. Summer camp for 3-5 year olds will begin on Monday, June 25th for 9 weeks of **Oh the Places You Will Go With Dr. Seuss!** Each week we will focus on a different book of Dr. Seuss. As in the past, we will have special enhancement visitors (date confirmations in progress) and water play daily for threes and fours and once a week for the younger classes. Camp programs (3-5 year olds) are now officially open to the public. If you know of anyone who would like to attend for any amount of weeks, please have them contact the office. Limited part time and full time spots are available.



Thank you for returning your anticipated hours for our fall classes. Most classes are already full! If you need to change your hours or days please be sure to do so as soon as possible. Also, if you know of anyone who may be looking for a program for their child for the fall, please have them contact us soon!