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MAY 2018 NEWSLETTER

Hi Little School parents!

The school year has flown by and we are now fast approaching May and the end of school! The last day of school is Friday, May 18th - it is a regular day with the normal extended hours as well.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your patience with me during this school year! It has been a challenge with my added responsibilities and with the challenges we have faced this year with Hurricane Harvey, weird weather and placement for both schools!

I hope you know that you and your children are very special to all of us and we will always do our best to take care of your precious little ones (and you too)! Thank you for a wonderful school year!

> Love, Candice

Upcoming Events and Special News

Looking Ahead

- May 9th Teacher Appreciation Breakfast - no Early Bird
- May 7th 11th Marvelous
 Moms & Pajama Week
- May 18th Last day of school - REGULAR DIS-MISSAL
- June 4th June Session begins
- July 2nd July Session begins
- July 3rd—4th of July Parade!
- July 4th no school Happy Fourth of July!
- July 9th 13th Summer Celebration - no school
- July 27th Last day of July session

CHAPEL CHAT

Your children have been such a blessing, and we thank you for sharing them with us this year during Chapel Time! During the month of May, we will explore the call to spread the Gospel with others. From the books of Matthew, John, and Acts we will hear stories of how others went before us and how we are to continue.

Your children are always welcome at Ark Adventures, our Preschool Sunday School program at MDPC, at 9:45 and 11:15 as we learn more about the love of God and our Savior, Jesus Christ. We wish you a happy summer!

On a personal note, after fourteen marvelous years of teaching Chapel at the Yellow School, I will be retiring. It has been an absolute joy to teach your children, and the ones who came before them. My prayers are with you always. – Becky Funderburk

MARVELOUS MOMS WEEK

The week of May 7th - 11th is Marvelous Moms week! Take advantage of the opportunity to make a craft project and share some quality time before you take your child to class. Choose a day to join us in room 120 (the playroom) from 9:00 to 9:45 and let us honor our Marvelous Moms!

AND...PAJAMA WEEK

Are you ready for Pajama Week? Bring your child to school in their favorite jammies (playground appropriate please!). Also, be sure to bring their favorite book to share with their friends! Don't be surprised if some of the teachers wear their jammies too!



Important Information

Parents' Night Out

Hosted by Child Care Plus (CCP)

THEME: Happy Mother's Day DATE: Saturday, May 12th TIME: 4:00 P.M to 8:00 P.M

COST: \$20.00 for the first child and \$15.00 for each additional child. This fee includes dinner (pizza) and

materials for the crafts your child may use while in our care. Registration: ccp.mdpc.org



REMINDERS

- Fall 2018 forms due by June 30th
- May 2019 tuition due by June 30th
- Always try to book Extended Day in advance (we have to make sure we have enough teachers!)





UPCOMING EVENTS – CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

<u>June 20</u> – Preschool Playground Playdate on the outside playground from 2:30 – 3:30. Come meet our summer interns while enjoying refreshing snow cones and fellowship!



<u>July 9 - 13</u> – Registration is open for Summer Celebration 2018 – Jesus in the SECRET INGREDI-ENT! Rising Kinder and younger are invited to attend when a parent volunteers the week of Summer Celebration July 9 -13. Contact Becky Funderburk at <u>bfunderburk@mdpc.org</u> for more information.



REACH 2018 SUMMER CLASSES

Art Camp: It's A Jungle Out There!

- Art Camp: Let's Go Camping!
- Basketball: Hoops Camp
- Cheer Camp
- Clay Camp: Australian Clay Critters
- Coder Kids
- Cooking Camp
- Fast Forward Kids Camps: Drones,
- Legos, Play Doh, Survival, Etc.
- Gymnastics/Tumbling Camp for Boys
- & Girls
- Idea Lab: Super Hero Science
- Mad Science: Sprouting Scientist
- Mad Science: Water Works
- Musical Theatre: What's Up Zak?
- Piano Lessons | John Ford
- Summer Sparkle Dancing Fun

Woodworking

Sign up now online at mdpc.org!



20 Tips for Parents from Preschool Teachers

- 1. Expect more raise the bar
- 2. Resist doing for her what she can do herself
- 3. Don't redo what they've done
- 4. Let them solve simple problems
- 5. Assign a chore
- 6. Praise is key
- 7. Develop predictable routines
- 8. Lighten up
- 9. Warn of transitions
- 10. Use sticker charts and rewards judiciously
- 11. Give structured choices
- 12. No ifs
- 13. Prioritize play
- 14. Do it to music
- 15. Encourage teamwork
- 16. Let your child work out minor squabbles
- 17. Redirect
- 18. Prevent good-bye meltdowns
- 19. Involve her in righting her wrongs
- 20. Don't delay discipline

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