

Community Preschool Press

September 2011



Peggy's Paragraph..

It was great to see all of you at orientation. Thank you so much for taking time from your schedules , especially all the dads who adjusted their schedules to attend such an important event in your children's lives.
Please remember to be prompt at arrival time and dismissal time. Being late for the beginning of school or being the last one picked up at dismissal time can be very upsetting to a child. Please call the school if you are running late so the teacher can tell your child so he/she will be aware of the delay.
Please remember to drive slowly through the parking lot. Children tend to run so please be attentive of your driving and your child when walking to the building.
During the nice weather , you are able to park in the lower parking area, but be advised that the lower drive is seldom plowed in the winter.
Please leave the two parking spaces on either side of the walk open for church members.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

Book orders are due by Friday, September 23rd. Since I distributed the flyer regarding the online ordering, the code has been changed. You as a parent need the class activation code to order online. The simpler code is : GVGQ4
Once you use the code, you set up your own user name and password. It is very simple to do. You can also order using the order sheets. There is another flyer enclosed attached to the newsletter with the information.

Parent Toddler Class

The 10 week parent -toddler class begins on Wednesday September 14th. Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board if you are interested.

Enrichment Classes

Place registration forms for Enrichment classes in marked box in Social Hall. Classes begin the week of September 19th.



School Pictures

School pictures will be taken on Tuesday, October 11th and Thursday, October 13th. More information will follow as the time draw nears.

Save For Us

- Clean frosting containers
- Clean fruit and vegie trays
- Large brown grocery bags.
- Empty pringle cans
- Empty Paper towel and toilet paper rolls

Please make sure your child's name is on his/her back pack.

Please remember to check the bulletin board and your child's backpack daily for any new information.

Congratulations to Ms. Kelsey Fello who will be married this Saturday, September 10,2011 to Jeff Waters. We wish you both a lifetime of love and happiness.



Ombudsman

Good communication is vital for a successful school experience for your child. Hopefully all your questions and concerns can be addressed with positive results. If you feel uncomfortable addressing your concerns with a staff member, please contact one of the ombudsman to help communicate your concerns.

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(Pre K Mom)

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(4 year old PM Mom)

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Check Us Out!!!

For updated information check out Community Preschool's website.

www.communitypreschoolkids.com

Friend us on facebook, too!

3's

The threes will spend most of the month learning the routine at school and trusting that mom or dad will be back to pick him/her up after school. The threes will focus on the color "red" and the "circle" shape. They will enjoy getting to know one another. Please remember that we stress the process of a project rather than the product. Ask your child to tell you about his/her project rather than asking "what is it? The children will continue the month with a discussion of apples. Learning about sharing and taking turns will be emphasized with the children.

4's

The children will enjoy playing with the all the manipulative in the rooms as well as creating on their own in the art room. Recognition of their names will be reinforced in a variety of ways to pave the way for their introduction to the alphabet. The 4 year olds will learn the letters A and B during the month. The children are asked to bring in an item beginning with letter that is being taught. Please check you calendars for reminders. The children will have their first "field trip" visitor on Tuesday, Sept. 27th. The librarian from West Geauga Library will come in to read to the children.

Pre K

The Pre K will begin the year reviewing the recognition of their names. They will make a time capsule to look at again at the end of the school year. The class will be introduced to the letters A, B, and C. The Pre K will celebrate Johnny Appleseed's birthday at the end of September. The Pre K class will also participate in a 'a visit from the West Geauga librarian's visit.

Cookie Fundraiser

Tubs of cookies and breakfast pastry will be available for the first of two fundraisers during the school year. The fundraisers are not mandatory, but it would be appreciated if you could sell some these delicious products. With the lower enrollment and no tuition increase, any profits made will be used to keep us on budget this year. The highest seller will receive a month of free tuition.

The sale will begin early October.

Water Testing

Please be advised that Community Church had the water tested this summer according to new safety guidelines. The results were normal. Please note the signs posted near the drinking fountains

Tuition due by Thursday, September 15th.
Thanks!

Cookie Fundraiser

You will receive your information packet and order form today. We appreciate your efforts in making this a successful drive. The monies are earmarked for improvements to the school. A new light fixture at the top of the steps is a possibility as well as few items on the "wish list". To thank you for your efforts the family that sells the most Cookie Dough tubs will receive one month of free tuition. If you have paid in full, you will be reimbursed the monthly amount you pay for the class your child is enrolled.



Parent - Teacher Conferences

Due to a scheduling conflict, the parent-teacher conferences have been changed to Wednesday, November 20th. The 4 day 4 year old class and the Pre K class will have school on Friday, November 15th, but NO SCHOOL on Friday, November 22nd. Thank you for your understanding.

The parent-teacher conferences are an essential tool for the teacher to get to know your child and you have a chance to learn how your child is developing and interacting with his/her peers. Please come ready with your questions, concerns and suggestions.

Check the bulletin board for the conference schedule for your child's class. Conferences are 15 minutes. Please be prompt for your time. There is NO school for your child that day. There will be a sign up for child care during the conferences. The children will be in the social hall. If you are able to, please sign up to help for 1/2 hour. Thanks!

The three year olds do not have conferences until March. More time is needed for the three year olds to feel comfortable in the school environment. The teachers do extensive testing to determine their level of development.



Thanks to the Parks Family for their donation of sand for the sandbox. We appreciate it very much. We are awaiting a new tarp, constructed by the Amish, before we add the new sand. Hopefully, the weather will improve so the children can enjoy it!!!



Thanksgiving Gathering

The children will be hosting a Thanksgiving Gathering before the holiday break. All our invited. The three year olds will have their Gathering on Friday, November 20th. All three year old classes will come to school at 9:00 a.m. that day. The three year olds will perform some holiday songs for you in the Church sanctuary and will then share a Thanksgiving bounty of appetizers and desserts in the social hall. Children will come at 9:00 a.m. and the parents return at 10:30 a.m. At your arrival, go directly into the Church with your cameras. The 4 year olds and the Pre K class will host their Thanksgiving Gathering on Tuesday, November 26th. They will also have their program in the Church followed by appetizers and desserts in the social hall. Morning classes come at regular time and guests are to arrive at 10:30 a.m. The afternoon classes arrive at 12:30 pm. and guests arrive at 1:45 p.m.

There will be sign up sheets for appetizers, desserts and drinks. There will also be a list to sign for the number of guests that are attending. It is very nice of the church to let us use it for the program. It is less congested for the festivities. Hope to see you all there!!



Election Day

Tuesday, November 5th is Election Day. Community Church is a voting site. You will have to wait downstairs in the social hall fro dismissal. Your child will have a chance to "vote" for one of two candidates. The candidates will make a campaign appearance soon! This activity gives your child an understanding of what it means to vote. If your schedule allows, the staff encourages you to bring your three year old to school that day to vote. Community Preschool Polls open at 8:30 a.m. and close at 3:00 p.m. The winner will be announced on Wednesday morning.

Future Schedule Changes

All three year olds will meet on Friday, December 20th at 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. A surprise holiday visitor will be arriving at school at 10:45 a.m.

The 4 day 4 year old class and the Pre K class will attend school Monday through Friday the week of December 9th.(includes Wednesday) The week of December 16th, They will meet Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. It will culminate with the holiday program and a surprise visitor on Wednesday, December 18th.

