

May Preschool Newsletter



Dear Parents,

The end of the school year is here. Where did the year go? We've seen your children grow and develop so quickly. They are talking enthusiastically about being older and being ready for the next step in their young lives. I wish they would stay little for a little longer.

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK



The week of **May 7-11** is National Teacher Appreciation Week. I cannot sing the praises of your child's teachers enough. They are so dedicated and devoted to your children. This is a perfect opportunity to send them a note of appreciation for all they do every day.

MUFFINS for MOMS

Mothers, we want to invite you to come in at **9:00** on **Thursday morning, May 10**, for a "Muffins for Mom" hour. The children

have been preparing for your visit. If you cannot be here, we would be happy for a dad, grandparent, or other special person to come on your behalf.

PLAY DAY

We will hold our sixth annual play day on Thursday, **May 17**. Weather permitting, all activities will be outdoors with time out for a hot dog lunch and ice cream.

GRADUATION and FINAL DAY

Our graduation and final day will be **Thursday, May 24 at 10:00**. The children will have a brief performance and will receive their certificates. Cookies and punch will be served following the program. After that, children will be dismissed for the summer.

GRADUATION CAPS



Parents, we have ordered new graduation gowns for the four year olds that are graduating this year. We want to keep the gowns, but you may purchase the mortar board cap, tassel, and charm with the year for \$10. If you purchase

it, you may pay Miss Cathy, Miss Sarah, or me with either a check made payable to the school or in cash. This is something that has been in great demand in the past years, and we want you to have the same opportunity.

MAY CURRICULUM

This month, students will be learning more about the ocean and sea animals. They will go through a review of the skills that they have covered this year. In our Bible study, we will focus

on *Being Friendly* as one more way to prove ourselves to be of good character. The Bible verse this month is Proverbs 17:17, "A friend loves at all times."

HICKMAN LIBRARY SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES

Hickman Library is offering a wonderful program this summer for children. We can never do enough to make books an important part of your child's life. We hope you will find time to visit the library with your child and find out more about the program they are offering. Please note that the Hickman Library is moving to a new location. The current site will close April 30th and the new opening date will be announced when the move is complete.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The church is holding Vacation Bible School this summer from June 11-15. The preschool class is limited to ten children and the children must have been in the four year old class this year. A flyer is being sent home today if your child is eligible. The church is taking enrollments online. Spots will be filled on a first come, first served basis, so don't delay. Our students have a short window of opportunity. If you have questions, please see me.

FINAL WISHES

A very special farewell to our four year olds. Many of them have been with us for three or more years. They are a very special group and are fully prepared for next year. We will miss them greatly.

Parents, you have been truly awesome. We cannot sing your praises loudly enough. You have been supportive and faithful to us and truly devoted to your children. It is heartening to see parents like you show such love and guidance to these children. They are certainly blessed.

The staff wishes all of you a great summer! God Bless each of you.

Sincerely,

Donna Russell

Cathy Milstead

Jennifer Gerrald

Sherry Marshall

Sarah Beauvais

Jean Francis

SUMC Preschool April Newsletter



APRIL NEWS

Dear Parents,

Happy Spring to all! We are so fortunate to live in an area usually filled with warm sunshine and blue skies at this time of year. Hopefully, it is coming soon. As the teachers watch the children play, they are all speaking of the children's

growth this year. They are growing physically, mentally, and spiritually. Each child has grown taller, each has learned so many new things, and each child loves the Lord. This was so evident in their remarks during the telling of the Easter story and weekly chapel.

Monthly Themes

Our theme this month is "God's Living Things". The children will be learning about plants, birds, bugs, butterflies, and other living things. We will emphasize the value of truthfulness in our choice of stories. All classes will be working on following directions that involve several steps. Our Kindermusic program is called "Outside My Window". In chapel, we are now going to focus on *Fairness* as a First Rate Character Trait. Our Bible verse is "When justice is done, it brings joy..." Proverbs 21:15

Art Show

The annual Art Show is scheduled for Wednesday, April 25 from 6 – 7 P.M. More information about the Art Show will be sent home closer to the event, but please put the date on your calendar. The children are always so proud to show off their artistic talent.

Muffins for Moms

A reminder that Muffins for Moms is scheduled for Thursday, May 10 at 9:00. This is a time to honor all moms, grandmothers, and other women who are so very important in the lives of the children. We are always happy to welcome men as well when the mothers can not attend.

Scholastic Book Orders

Scholastic book orders will be due Tuesday, April 17. This will be our final book order of the year as the May orders will probably not be back in time for graduation.

Attention to parents who purchased books in March: The books have arrived, but my order forms from you are missing. Please stop by my room and pick up the books you have purchased. I am so sorry for the inconvenience.

Safety Reminder

The upcoming warm weather will allow the children to go out each day for needed play. It is very tempting to dress your child in sandals or flip-flops. Please be aware, however, that we do not let these children climb on the equipment if they are not wearing rubber-soled shoes. It is too easy for them to slip and fall with looser fitting shoes. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Also, please send in a change of clothing for your child that can be swapped out for the winter clothing that most children have for "emergency wear".

Special Dates

Special Events:

Scholastic Book Orders – due April 17

Art Show – April 25, 6-7 P.M.

Our students are showing progress at an increasing speed. They can now do so many things that they could not do earlier in the school year. They are coming to circle time more and more eager to share and learn. You have extraordinary children with so much enthusiasm to share with us every day. Thank you for sharing them with us a few hours each week.

Sincerely,

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Sherry Marshall
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Preschool Easter Program and Egg Hunt Photos

On Thursday, March 29th our Seaside Preschool Students held their annual Easter Hat Parade, Easter Music Program and of course, Easter Egg Hunt!

Click [here](#) to view some photos of this fun event!

Seaside UMC Preschool March Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Each class has been affected this month by the flu, virus, cold, earaches, strep throat, and other illnesses, but the warm weather that March promises us always brings an end to these problems. In the meantime, please watch your child carefully each morning. If he or she shows any sort of contagion (fever, for example), please let him or her rest at home. Only by leaving the germs at home can we eliminate it

from the classroom. We are taking extra precautions to keep things washed down with Clorox wipes, washing hands, using Kleenex, and teaching the children to cover their mouths with their arms when they cough.

Scholastic Book Order

Our Scholastic Book Order is due Tuesday, **March 13**. The flyers are being sent home with this letter.

Preschool Enrollment

We are very pleased to see that so many of our two and three year olds will be back next year. Thank you for your support and goodwill among the community. So many of the incoming new parents have mentioned that parents of our children have recommended our school to them. We still have openings, so please let anyone know that is still searching for a preschool for their child. I would be happy to meet with the parents and explain our program to them. [Click here](#) for an Enrollment Form.

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February 2017 Preschool News

Dear Parents,

January has been a month of weather fluctuations. We have very cold days followed by warmer temperatures. As a result of the weather and the season, we have had children out of school due to colds, strep throat, ear infections, and the like. Thank you for letting your child remain home to recuperate rather than send him/her to school when he/she might be contagious. Because of your diligence, we have not had any

epidemics thus far.

CURRICULUM