

The Messiah Lambs



Newsletter

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Back to School Edition**



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Upcoming Dates:

September 1st – Tuition Due
September 7th – No School – Labor Day
September 26th – Messiah's Rock Around
The Block Party 11-2



Director's Notes

Welcome to the 2009-2010 school year! We are thankful that you chose us to care for your precious child. Each child is a gift of God. We are so happy you are here in the Messiah Lambs family. "Come and follow Me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men" is the theme for this school year. This theme translates into many bulletin boards and posters with fish, nets, and other fishing paraphernalia. It is our intention to focus on the fact that Jesus calls us to follow Him and then to share the gospel message with others. We look forward to spending the year getting to know each of you better and partnering with you in the development of your children.

A few reminders:

Medication needs to be checked in with the office. PLEASE NOTE: If the medicine is "over the counter" it must have the dosage for the age of your child. If the medicine is one your doctor recommended you use but it does not list your child's age and dosage you must have a "prescription" for it with the dosage amount from the doctor.

COMPUTER CHECK IN AND OUT PROCEDURES: The computer will automatically charge you \$1.00 per minute if you log in BEFORE or AFTER your scheduled time. This means if you have paid for 8 AM drop off you cannot log your child in before 8 AM. If you have paid for a 9 AM drop off you cannot log in before 8:50 AM. The afternoon pickup times incur a charge when you pick up late, not early. If you have a problem with being here on time please call the school office.

Any time you have questions feel free to call the school.

~ Gail



Infant 2 News

Ms. Donna, Ms. Darlene, Ms. Carol, and Ms. Bernadette would like to welcome all our children: Daniel, Liam, Clara, Spencer, Brandon, Colby H., Carson, Campbell and Colby M., Miley, Kaitlyn, Luke and Aubrey! We had a great introduction and continue to get to know one another.

In September we plan on focusing on teaching the children that God made each of them, and that they are special!

Toddlers News

Miss Sandra, Miss Tracy, Miss Polly, Miss Kristy, Miss AJ

Welcome to the new school year in Toddlers. We've spent the first couple weeks getting to know our new friends and learning our routine. Our goal in our classrooms is to provide a loving and consistent environment and share Jesus' love. In addition to attending to the students' physical and emotional needs, we offer a developmentally appropriate curriculum with monthly lesson plans. What we will be working on during the month of September through books, songs, finger plays and art is the following:

- *Bible Time: God Made You
- *My Family
- *Grandparents Day
- *Shape: Circle
- *Itsy Bitsy Spider
- *Color: Red
- *Numbers: 1 and 2

We will also be celebrating the following birthdays: Elise Brosnahan 9-4, Libby Araman 9-5, Genevieve Boots 9-6, Piper Tesdall 9-6 and Megan McMullen 9-7.

Happy 2nd Birthday!



Three Year Old Three Day Class

Mrs. Friestad and Mrs. Scheufler

Units:

August: Intro to Preschool: Review of Colors, Shapes and ABC's

September: All About Me, My Family, and My Friends, Community Helpers

Letters:

September: We are learning about letters A-E

Birthdays:

August: Happy Birthday to Hannah Lee and Bridget Beasley!!

September: Happy Birthday to Addy Fudge!

Stars of the Month:

September: Cole Adams, Kenneth Bangs, and Joey Houska

Thank you in advance for bringing healthy snacks for our class to enjoy!

Chapel Songs:

August: “I am Jesus Little Lamb”, “Oh, Who Can Make a Flower”

September: “God Made Me”, “Father Abraham”, “Sarah and Abraham”, “God’s Gift to Us”, Joseph’s Coat

These songs can be found on the back of your calendar each month. Your children would love to sing along with you.



Three Year Old Five Day Class (A)

Mrs. Laramy

August:

- Themes: - Introduction to Preschool
- All about ME
- Bible Story: God Made the World and Plants

September:

- Themes: - Family and Friends
- Apples/ Spiders
- Nursery Rhymes/Fairy Tales
- Ocean
- Study: - Letters A, B, C, D, E
- Numbers 1 and 2
- Shapes and Colors
- Bible Stories:- God Made Animals and People
- God Calls Abraham
- Abraham is blessed
- Jacob and Rachel Have a Baby
- Jacob Takes Care of Joseph

Four Year Old Five Day Class

Mrs. Casady, Mrs. Ozlowski, Mrs. Vosburg

August themes=School Days, Me, and Family

September themes=Manners, Friends, and 5 Senses

Letters to learn in alphabet=A,B,C,D,E,F

Numbers to learn=1,2,3

Shapes to learn=Circle, Square

Bible Stories=Fishers of Men, Creation, Fall into Sin, Noah, Abraham, Jacob



Kindergarten Class

Mrs. Byrne

We have had a great beginning to the school year. Everyone is working hard and getting along wonderfully. I want to thank all the parents for all the kind words and purchasing the program to get readers in the classroom.

Our religion will focus on the Old Testament stories of Creation, Adam and Eve’s fall into sin, Noah, Abraham, and Joseph.

Our phonics will cover the first letters of the alphabet A-E.

Math will be focusing on sorting, classifying, and patterning.

The Language Arts unit will have us looking at ourselves, family, and friends. We will then go into our animal unit.

We will celebrate Trevor’s birthday at the end of the month.



Spanish Class

Senora Whitesell (or Miss Shannon)

Bienvenidos! Welcome to our new school year at Messiah. We have so much fun planned in Spanish this fall and I am excited to work with your preschoolers and kindergartners! You will receive a weekly summary of the vocabulary or phrases that we focus on in class. This is just a single handout if you ever want to practice Spanish at home! During August we will focus on general salutations and our familia (family)! We will have fun learning Spanish words for members of our family by using stick puppets and creating a family tree. Many of your students may already be able to count to ten in Spanish (many thanks to Dora and Diego!) but we will take it a step further by practicing counting with the calendario (calendar). We will also be learning our colors and names for items in our escuela (school). We'll learn new songs and read books in Spanish every week to help reiterate these new words. For those that don't know me, this is my fourth year at Messiah Lambs. I have worked in the infant, toddler, and two year old classrooms. I am new to teaching Spanish this year, but not new to speaking it. I studied Spanish through college before graduating with an engineering degree. My brother lives in Mexico so I've had many opportunities to keep practicing over the years.

Please feel free to email me at whitesellclan@verizon.net or call me at the school if you have any Spanish questions this year. Estoy deseoso de trabajar con sus hijos! (I look forward to working with your children!)



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~Matthew 4:19