WELBORNE CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL
APRIL 2017 NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

We all can't believe that spring is finally here. There is a lot to watch out for in April so keep this newsletter handy and keep an eye on your child's class calendar. Only seven more weeks of school and we are trying to pack it full of wonderful activities. A copy will be posted on the website. Bunny Pictures are back and there is a new method of ordering. Please refer to the Sunday email. Orders due Friday, April 7th.

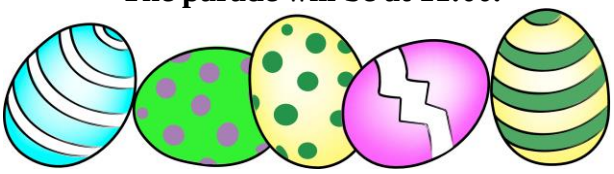
Our End of the Year/Graduation Celebration will be Wednesday, May 24th at 10:30am. All the children (except MMO) in the preschool will be a part of this program so please be sure to mark your calendar and plan to join us for a celebration of the year and picnic to follow.

APRIL INFORMATION

Soccer Shots will begin next Monday, April the 3rd and run for six Mondays (no class on Monday the 10th and 17th of April). Pick up will be at 12:30. Please be sure that the children come dressed to move and wear tennis shoes. If they want to bring a water bottle on those days that would be great.

Zoo Trip – Wednesday, April 5th is the Zoo field trip for the MWF and J-K classes. Please be at the Zoo by 9:15 at the latest and have your child wear their school t-shirt. Bring a snack and drink. For more information about the zoo you can go to www.metrorichmondzoo.com .

Easter Parties- Check your child's calendar for the date and time.
The parade will be at 11:00.



Easter/ Spring Break- The preschool will be closed for Easter from Monday, April 10th through Monday, April 17th . We will reopen on Tuesday, April 18th.

Earth Day!! To recognize Earth Day we will be asking the children to bring in a flower (Annual or Perennial) on the week of April 18th on their **Transportation day**. Your child will have the opportunity to plant their flower in our preschool garden as they take a break from Transportation Day. What a great way for them to share in making God's Earth an even prettier place!!

Lunch Bunch – Lunch Bunch dates in April are: April 4th , April 19th, April 20th, April 26th , April 27th.

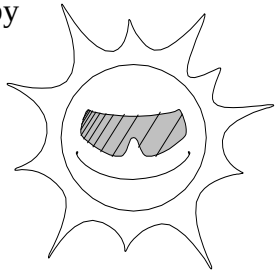
Transportation Days – This is a fun day for all! Each child is to bring a riding toy or bike to school on their particular day. You must bring a helmet with your child's name on it. Don't forget to send them in tennis shoes. (We are giving you a couple of weeks to practice if your child is still a little wobbly on that bike…please don't send a bike they are not comfortable with**). No scooters, please.**

- Tues., April 18th - 3's
- Wed., April 19th - JK
- Thurs., April 20th - 2's
- Friday., April 21st - MWF class

A Master Gardener will be coming to work with the children on Monday, April 24th. The younger children will be discussing plants and our Earth in their classrooms this week.

Mom's and Muffins – April 26th (MWF and j-K) and April 27th (2's and 3's) from 9:00-10:00. We invite the moms to come and enjoy muffins, fruit, tea, lemonade and watch the children make a book come "alive" as they perform for you☺

Fun Camp - This camp is designed for the children enrolled in the preschool this year. Hope to see you there!! (If payments are an issue, please see Laura or me). Registration forms have gone home. Space is limited to 30 students per session. All registrations will need to be in by Thursday, April 27th . Let your friends and family know that we will open up to the public on May 1st if it does not fill with our current students.



MAY INFORMATION (can you believe the school year is almost over?)

Hearing and Vision Test at the preschool Thursday, May 4th.
The preschool will be having MEDA-RVA here for free testing. Their program is dedicated to highlighting the importance of early screenings to detect vision or hearing concerns, so every child has the chance to reach their full potential. Their free mobile screenings are quick and Non-invasive and always child-friendly. This will be offered to the 3's, 4's and 5's. You will be receiving the permission for the screening home with your child the week of April 18th. We will need those back by April 25th so I can let them know how many to expect. Wee so excited about having the opportunity to offer this at Welborne.

Hat Day- May 4th and 5th- Wear your goofiest, funniest, original hat you have the sillier the better!!

Beach Parties –

Monday May 8th - MMO

Wednesday, May 10th - MWF and JK
Thursday, May 11th - 2's and 3's

**please see your child's teacher if you are the Beach Party Mom.

End-of-the-Year Program –Wednesday, May 24th. The program starts at 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary, with a picnic lunch following. All children in the preschool program are in the program! There is **no school** that day. The last day of preschool is Tuesday, May 23rd . All children are in this program!!

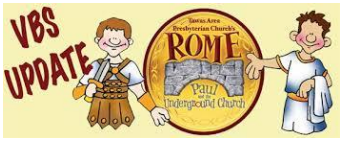
** We still need pictures for the end-of-the-year slide show. Please be sure that the pictures are on CDs or emailed. All pictures need to be turned in by May 4th . For events after that, we will receive pictures via email. Please only send in no more than 10 of your best pictures.

REMINDERS

Field Trips - Some classes have field trips planned . Please be sure to have your child at school at the designated time and wearing their school t-shirt. Any other questions you may have about the trips please see your child's teacher.

Playground – The weather is getting warmer and we love to spend time on the playground. Open shoes and sandals are dangerous as your children love to climb and run. Tennis shoes are a must on the playground. We are asking that the children **do not wear Crocs** to school. They have been such a safety issue on and off the playground!

Sunscreen – We will be going outside each day, and as the days are getting warmer (if they ever do) the sun is more intense. In the morning before coming to school, please apply sunscreen on those children who tend to burn easily.



Bible School – Welborne Church will have their Bible School the week of July 17th through July 21st 9 a.m-12 noon. The theme is

"Rome, Paul and the Underground Church."

Join us as we imagine what it was like to live and work in what was once considered the center of the world…and hear about the Teacher Paul, and explore his cultures. Visit our Roman Marketplace and traditional Bible-times customs.

If you are interested in teaching or helping, please let me know. Registration will launch online on April 14th at www.welbornechurch.org

Email – Don't forget to check your email on Sunday evenings for the weekly reminders from me.

I would like to take this opportunity to ask your help in spreading the word about this wonderful and loving preschool. We are one of the few preschools that run a Mother's Morning Out (co-op) for 16 months to Two Years (Mondays) and 2 year olds on Friday along with the Preschool program. Some families are looking for just the one day experience for their child with the low cost. We are hoping that by having these opportunities we will be able to meet the needs of the children in our community!! Continue to spread the word about all of our classes. If you bring a child into the school and they register for the Fall you receive a $50 credit for your first monthly payment. Thank you for all you do to make this the best preschool in Richmond!!

This sure is a full newsletter !! I can't wait to share in the activities we have planned for the kids in the next 7 weeks!! So on your mark…get set…here we go!

Blessings,
Sheila

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