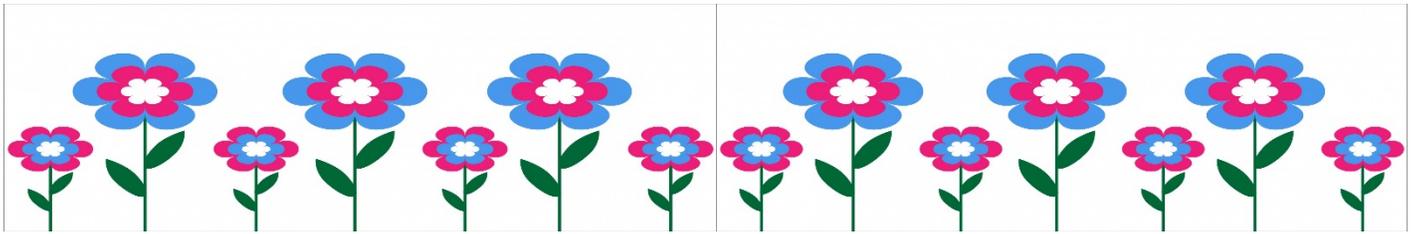


Sacred Heart Early Childhood Center

MAY 2015



CONGRATULATIONS
VPK GRADUATES

Luis Alamilla
Gavin Allen
Skyler Barratt
Caspian Bondari
Aurora Breedlove
Talin Bruce
Emerson Burks
Hunter Curtis
Bryce Dadez
Shyanne Davenport
Carleigh Davis
Vivian Deal
Hailey Dwyer

Julian Dye
Andre Gilbert
Liam Grant
Dane Hammen
Titus Harris
Amyia Hawkins
Lillian Hines
Cooper Larsen
Kohen Lynch
Isaiah Morgan
Nina Phillips
Leighton Powell
Luis Rodriguez

Zachary Schlicher
Dalton Schrader
Jaciee Sinka
Elias Smith
Owen Smith
Adam Stott
Audrey Sumner
Trinity Tadlock
Rodney Walker
Aiden Weaver
Carson Wheatley

INFANTS

Where does the time go? It's hard to believe that it is already May!!! We sure did end this month with April Showers. Maybe we will start seeing May flowers, just in time for our Mother's Day Tea.

In celebration of our Mothers, please join us for Tea and cookies on May 8th, at 4:00 PM.

Preschool Graduation will be held on Tuesday, May 19th. It is great seeing the children we have helped guide and teach reach this wonderful milestone in their life. Congratulations!!!

SHECC will be closed on Monday, May 25th, in observance of Memorial Day.

This month Emma and Alexis will be turning ONE!!! Happy Birthday Girls.

Benjamin, Andrew, Leanna, and Alexis are all walking now. Emma and Elizabeth are getting there. They are content to just climb on things for now. They all really love our buggy rides and going outside. They are using sippy cups and trying different finger foods. They will be ready when they move up.

We have lots of fun planned for the summer. Painting, splashing in the water, and tasting summer treats just to name a few.

We would like to thank all of our parents for wipes each month. We are so blessed to have the parents and children that we do. We love being a part of your children's lives. Thank you for sharing them with us. It fills our hearts to see them grow and learn. I will always treasure them in my heart.

Happy Mother's Day to all of our awesome moms. I hope you get to spend a time relaxing with your loved ones. Cherish these moments, for they go so fast. They are a precious gift from God.

Ms. Linda Ms. Phyllis
Ms. Nichole

DATES TO REMEMBER

MAY

8- Mother's Day Tea @ 4:00 pm

10- Mother's Day

19- Preschool Graduation @ 6:45 pm

25- SHECC, SAS, & SAE

CLOSED, Memorial Day

29- Last Day of VPK

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ONES

Hello wonderful ones' parents and family members! May is here and boy is it HOT!!! School is almost out for summer and we have so many fun activities planned. We are working on a summer calendar for you so that you can stay informed and prepared for the activities we have planned. This will be our last newsletter until August so I will try to cover the next few months as best as I can.

This month we will be talking about our wonderful mommies, Mother Mary, and Birthdays. We were so blessed to have so many mothers come to our Tea. We hope you enjoyed your special gifts. We also have lots of birthdays coming up over the summer months so we are going to be having lots of celebrations. If your child is one of these birthdays and you would like to bring a special snack to celebrate please fill out a snack form from the wall file on the door and post it on the sign in/out clipboard to let all the other parents know the children will be having special snacks on that day. Last but not least SHECC will be CLOSED on Monday, May 28th, in observance of Memorial Day.

In June, we will be talking about our awesome Daddies, God our Father, and Summer Time. There will be a Father's Day Tea as well and that information will be posted in our classroom when the time gets closer. We plan to cover a lot under the summer time topic including the beach, ocean animals, and summertime safety. I must say this is my favorite theme so we will probably drag it into July as well. Also in June I (Ms. Jenn) will be on vacation the 4th thru 8th. Ms. Rita will be covering me while I am out.

In July, we will be talking about Independence Day, Picnics, and more on summer time. We will have several picnics out on our playground and maybe some inside on those upcoming rainy days. We will also talk about what to expect on the 4th of July such as the loud noises and how to stay safe. SHECC will be CLOSED on July 3rd in observance of Independence Day.

When August comes we will see a major shift in our classroom. We have many friends turning two over the summer and many will be moving up during the month and likewise there are some babies in the baby room that are one who will be joining us in the wonderful ones room. If your child is

in this group we will keep you informed of when they will start to visit the yellow room and when their move up date will be. If you have any questions feel free to ask.

Starting May 11th we will have a slight change in scheduling in our classroom to accommodate the teacher assistants' summer class schedule.

The new schedule will be as follows:

- Ms. Jenn- 8am to 5pm Monday thru Friday.
- Ms. Megan- 7am to 5:30pm Monday and Wednesdays, 7am to 12pm Fridays.
- Ms. Bailee- 7am to 5:30pm Tuesday and Thursdays, 12am to 5:30pm Fridays.

I would like to take a moment to extend my sincere gratitude to all of you for the continued support you provide to me and our classroom. From monthly snacks, wipes, and special request donations to your kind and encouraging words. I am grateful to have the opportunity to know and care for your children and appreciate that you appreciate me.

Have a safe and happy summer everyone!!!

Ms. Jennifer
Ms. Bailee

Ms. Megan
Ms. Sandy

TWOS

Hello Parents, Grandparents, and Friends of the Yellow Room. April was a fun and exciting learning month. We enjoyed finding out about and celebrating Easter. Our Egg Hunt and Party were lots of fun and we appreciate all the donations of food, supplies, and time. You make having such a productive classroom possible! We also studied bugs, lizards, and other crawly creatures, as well as plants and planting. We were definitely busy busy busy learning. Hopefully you are seeing a substantial increase in your child's vocabulary with every unit that we complete. If you have any concerns about your child's development please feel free talk to me about them. Team work makes the learning process much easier.

May is a celebration of Mom's! We will have our Mother's Day Tea at 4pm on Friday, **May 8th**. We are hopeful that with the revised time more Moms, Grandmas, Aunts, or other special woman in the child's life will be able to join us for some relaxing refreshments. We will also be discovering all about transportation, because who is more on the go than Moms? If your child has a particular book that talks about cars, trucks,

planes, trains, etc., they can bring it in to share with the class. Just make sure they have their name inside the front cover. Also toys from home will remain off limits.

June will be all about Dad's. Our Father's Day Celebration information is not available at this time, but watch for notices in June. Our topics for June will also cover Summer, the Ocean, the Beach, and water or water activities in general. We may even do some pretend fishing.

July we will set our inner child free! We will talk about the 4th of July. Why we have it, to expect loud noises, fireworks are HOT, and listen to grown-ups for safety. We are going to learn about Pirates, Princesses, and Dinosaurs too!

We are working on a summer activities schedule, which should be published in May. As of now the only set activity is Toddler Water Play will be on Thursdays starting June 4th thru August 13th. We ask that you send your child to the daycare in their swimsuit with a regular diaper and sunscreen on. No water diapers please. In a plastic bag please put your child's towel, a change of clothes, underwear or diaper, socks, and shoes. Please remember to label everything.

I cannot begin to express how much we appreciate all you do to support our classroom with snacks, wet wipes, and specialty donations. It is both noticed and appreciated!

Lastly, the numbers are in for the Trike-A-Thon. The Yellow Room completed a combined 158 laps and raised \$384.00 in donations to St Jude's Children's Research Hospital. I cannot tell you how proud I was of our little peddlers and their supportive families! Well Done!!!

We wish you all a safe, happy, and smile filled summer! Thank You from the Yellow Room Krewe Arrrrrrrrrrgh!



Ms. Shelley Miss Taylor
and friends!!!



PRESCHOOL I

I am so proud of everyone's growth and development. As this school year begins to wind down, I will be working on assessments. They will go home the first week of June. We will continue to focus on cognitive development by using complex patterns, puzzles, and classification.

Beginning this month, we are going to use the water troughs in the afternoons. We will start with a few minutes each day and increase the time as they learn the rules.

1. Do not get yourself or your friends wet.
2. The water stays in the water trough or sandbox.

We would be honored if all Mothers joined us for Afternoon Tea on Friday, May 8th, at 4:00 p.m.

Ms. Vicki Ms. Sara
Ms. Alyssa Ms. Eloisa



PRESCHOOL II

It's hard to believe that in just a few short months the children will be moving up to VPK. Where does the time go?

Before our time together is over though we have an amazing May planned and an even more amazing summer. Our themes for May are Flowers, Bugs, Summer Safety, and Vacations. Some of the activities we will be working on are special gifts for mom, observing and charting bugs on our playground, discussing how to be safe while enjoying summer activities, and sharing pictures of our favorite vacation.

Later this month I will be sending home a summer newsletter and calendar. This will detail all the special activities and on what day they will be held.

I would like to thank everyone who has brought in snacks and juice for our class. A very special thank you to the ladies of the Sacred Heart Prayer Ministry who shared a special snack with us and gave the children a Miraculous Medal in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Also Deacon Dave for leading us in prayer.

Ms. Liliana

Ms. Natalie



VPK

Welcome May! It is hard to believe our VPK school year is coming to a close. We have a lot of exciting activities planned for this month.

We will begin the month discussing **May Day, Flowers, and Mother's Day.** We will be paint with silk flowers and counting their leaves. We will also sort them by color, shape and size. On Friday, May 8th, we would like for all of our mothers and grandmothers to join us for Muffins with Mom. We will begin at 10:30.

The last three weeks of VPK we will spend exploring a Unit on **Vacations and Safety.** We will talk about all the different places we have been (vacation photos welcome) and places we would like to visit. We will be using different kinds of travel maps to plot and plan our trips. This will lead us into Vacations and Summer Safety. We will read many stories about traveling and discuss ways to stay safe while in a car, on a boat and in the sun. We will also practice our phone number.

The end of the month we will focus on finishing our year with assessments and our VPK Graduation. This ceremony is a very special event and

we are planning to perform some wonderful songs. Please plan to join us on Tuesday, May 19th, at 6:45p.m. Please arrive by 6:30p.m., so that we may begin on time. Children should wear appropriate church clothes. We are looking for some parent volunteers to help with setting up the church and hall. Please watch for a sign-up sheet.

Dates to remember:

- Friday, May 8th @ 10:30, Muffins with Mom
- Tuesday, May 19th VPK Graduation @ 6:45
- Friday, May 29th Last Day for VPK

-A special thank you goes out to Sherri Reeves. She is our Parent (Grandparent) Volunteer we have had this year. She has been such a big help. I would love to have her every year.

Thank you for making this a special year. Your children have grown and changed so much. God bless each and every one of you and have a wonderful summer.

Ms. Kathy
Ms. Katie

Sister Donna
Sister Elizabeth

SCHOOL AGE

Welcome May!!! Congratulations to all of our 5th grade graduates, Abby Gerlach, Aiden Gilbert, Colin Gilbertson, Adriana Hatfield, and Colton Roberts. May you be blessed as you embark on a new chapter in your life in middle school. We will miss you.

On Friday, May 8th, we will have a Mother's Day Tea as soon as they get off the school bus. We would love for you to join us.

May 19th is our Pre-School Graduation at 6:45 pm. All are welcome.

SHECC will be closed on Monday, May 25th, in observance of Memorial Day.

The last day of school is on June 3rd. Our summer program will begin June 4th. We are so excited about our summer and all the great things we have planned. All the summer packets have been handed out. Please make sure to return them as soon as possible. If you did not receive one, please see Ms. Debbie.

Our Unit plan for May is *Growing With God*. May 1-8, we will talk about our Moms. We will make special gift for the special Mom in our life. May

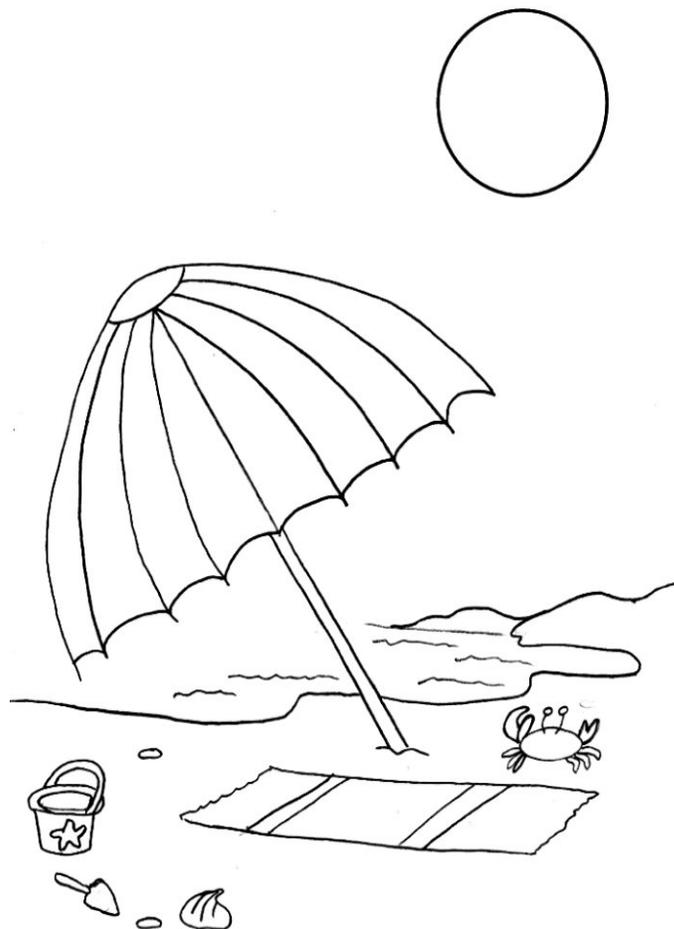
11-22 is Garden. We will be making sun catchers, garden rock caterpillars, cheerio bird feeders, paper plate flowers, and our greenhouse box. May 25-29 is Friends. We will make friendship bracelets, cards, and hand prints.

Please remember that SHECC will be closed July 3rd to observe the 4th of July Holiday. School begins August 24th. Have a great summer. God bless.

Ms. Debbie

Ms. Laura

Ms. Alyssa



NOTES FROM CINDIE...

We've made it through another successful school year! It has been a wonderful opportunity of learning for me. Stepping into the shoes of our former director Toni Watkins was daunting to say the least. I hope that as the years go forward I will achieve the ease at which she seemed to move through the ins and outs of this profession. Thank you to each and every family that has been here with me during this transitional year. Bringing to me your kind words of encouragement and even your questions and concerns has been an immeasurable help to me throughout the year. I hope to continue to hear from each of you. Your families are the reason I am here.

I look forward to continuing the quality of care and innovation of our center while still honoring the roots from which we have grown. As we move into the summer and next school year we will continue with our school wide curriculum cohesiveness. We will continue to use "Creative Curriculum" to guide the learning of those bright young minds along with "Second Step" social and emotional curriculum. "Discovering God's Child" will continue as our religious curriculum with additions from "Bright Beginnings" and

"The Big Book of Catholic Customs". We are confident that the children will receive a well-rounded learning experience and be fully prepared for Kindergarten upon completion of our school.

I would also like to take the opportunity to thank our Fantastic Staff!! These hard working teachers are the best there are! Dedication, passion and a true calling are what make these women such a powerhouse team! Thank you to each of you for standing with me this year as we have delved into uncharted territory together. New approaches are not easy; however you have all stepped up and embraced the changes. I am humbled and honored by the faith you have given me in leading us into the future. I am excited about what we have achieved so far and how far we are going to go together!!

Our Next PTA Meeting will be June 16, 2015 @ 6:00 pm. Please try to attend if you can. If you have thoughts or concerns you would like to share and are not able to attend please send me an email and I will take them to the meeting. My email address is sheccléo@embarqmail.com.

I hope everyone has a fabulous and safe summer.