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Kindergarten/ Jr. Kindergarten Tours-



This year we will not be able to hold an Open House for visiting Jr. Kdgn./ Kindergarten (or Pre-School) classrooms. However, Miss Karen will be offering evening tours beginning at either 5:30 pm. or 6:00pm. (Tours will run about a half hour.) We are asking that you speak to Miss Karen or reach out to the office (847.825.3767) to arrange a date and time for your tour. Children who will have turned 5 years-old by September 1, 2022 will be eligible for the

2022-23 Kindergarten class. (Children with July, August, September, and October, birthdays would be age appropriate for our Junior Kindergarten.) Our Kindergarten/Jr. Kindergarten class will be held 5 days/week from 9-12:00pm, with a full day option including lunch and afternoon enrichment program. Children picked up at 1:30pm do not have a rest period. Full day child care services are, of course, also available

(6:30am-5:30pm).

The parents of our students have enjoyed the small group attention for their children, the extended hours, the well-rounded curriculum, which includes Christian Education and the special care and concern provided by Miss Terri, Miss Rose and the rest of the child care staff. We hope you will make an evening appointment to visit the Kindergarten/Jr. K classroom to find out what our program has to offer

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- ☺ Evening Tours-arrange an evening time to visit the Jr K/Kindergarten program
- ☺ Evening Tours-arrange an evening time to visit the pre school programs
- ☺ January 10th- 9am- Manna gift card orders due
- ☺ Week of January 10th Miss Pat's dance classes begin
- ☺ Monday, January 17th- Messiah CCC closed for MLK day and staff inservicing
- ☺ January 18th- Restaurant Fundraiser Lou Malnati's Pizza 4-9pm
- ☺ Week of January 24th -(earlier if possible)- Summer and Fall Registration Forms distributed
- ☺ January 21st- Scholastic Book Orders Due

Summer and Fall Registrations- Looking Ahead-Arrange an evening tour of our pre-school classes

Materials for Messiah's summer (2022) and fall (2022-2023) registration will be placed in the folders of each currently enrolled Messiah child during the week of January 24th (earlier if possible). We will guarantee a position for all applications returned with the registration fees and deposits by **Monday, February 14th.** (depending on whether or not classes fill up with the registrations received before yours, it may not be the position you request) Whereas we will try to honor schedule, classroom and classmate requests as much as class space allows, it is impossible for us to guarantee everything to everyone. Requests for specific teachers cannot be guaranteed as staffing and teacher assignments will not be confirmed until the summer. Registrations received after February 14th will be added to the 'outside' applications and will be processed, on a first come basis, to fill any still-available positions after 'in-house' registration.

**Monday,
January 17th-
Messiah CCC
closed for MLK
day and staff
inservicing**

Weather/Snow Closings at Messiah

Messiah Child Care Center does not close very often for weather purposes, but there have occasionally been some extraordinary circumstances, such as polar vortex cold and extensive blizzards, that have required closures to protect the safety of children, parents and staff. Notifications of closure will be **emailed** to all families via our daily email addresses and will be posted on The Emergency Closing Center publicized on TV crawler, radio stations and the WGN emergency closing center site.

Planning for Fall 2022-2023-School visits for new and returning families

The end of January begins our registration process for our summer and fall programs for both current and new families. Since we will not be able to host our all school Open House in February due to the Covid restrictions, we will be scheduling evening visits with Miss Karen, Monday through Thursday at either 5:30pm or 6:00pm. **Reservations need to be made in advance of tours.** You can send us an email (messiahchildcarecenter@gmail.com) with your request to schedule or call the school office (847-825-3767). All classrooms will be open and paperwork will be available. Please tell family, friends and neighbors to call us and learn more about the opportunities Messiah has to offer their children. We are always happy to show new families around on an individual basis with an evening appointment.

Outdoor Winter Clothing

A reminder that we do **try** to go outdoors to play or to take a walk during the winter months. On snowy and/or cold days, please, send a hat, mittens (water proof), scarf, snow pants (or a snow suit), boots, etc. To aid in identification, please, label as many articles of clothing as possible, with your child's name and remind your child which articles of clothing belong to him/her since he/she may not be familiar with new clothes.

Please be sure your child's clothes fit well enough to keep out the snow and cold and be sure that he/she has a change of clothing (especially pants and long sleeved shirt) as well as **indoor shoes** (see information below). Thanks!

School Shoes

Please send a pair of shoes that can stay at school, for indoor activities, until the snow season is over. Shoes should be non-lace shoes that your child can easily put on and take off independently. Your child should then wear winter boots to school each day that will be used for outdoor play and for commuting back home at the end of each school day.

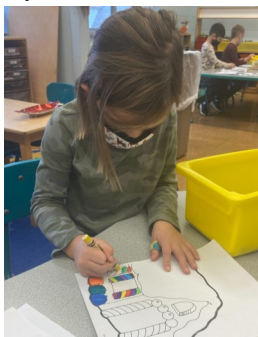
Scholastic Book Order

We thank everyone who continues to share the love of reading through Messiah's monthly Scholastic Book orders. This month book orders will be due on Friday, January 21st. You may place your order on line or send your order to school in your child's folder.

Messiah CCC closed on Monday, January 17th for staff inservicing

January Birthdays

6 Ariana M.—5 years old
7 Haeji K. —5 years old
11 Ella W.— 4 years old
12 Miss Jennifer
27 Sam H.—5 years old



Thank You...

We have so much to be thankful for! During this crazy time we want to thank all of you for your support of the child care center and our amazing staff. We thank you for your kind words and understanding of all of the changes we have made to keep everyone safe and well. We thank you for supporting our Manna gift card orders and donations to the schools operating budget. We cannot adequately express our appreciation for your continued support and generosity. We especially thank you for being the front line in keeping our children, staff and school healthy.

We are looking forward to a fun filled second half of our school year!

Classroom Change

We want to share with you a change for two of our Pre K-1 classrooms.

As often happens in January, we need to readjust some of our classrooms to accommodate our changing and increasing enrollment numbers.

This January, we will be realigning Miss Jen's class and Miss Cristina's class. Miss Cristina's class will now be for children who stay for the full day and Miss Jen's class will be for children who are picked up by 1:30pm.

The children and teachers in both classrooms are very familiar with each other because of shared activities, and we look forward to the exciting changes for all involved.



HAPPY NEW YEAR

Manna/Script Gift Card orders

Thank you to everyone who places orders for gift cards using our Manna fundraiser. *We appreciate your support and encourage others to try the program if you have not already.*

Manna gift cards can be ordered year round for your shopping or gift giving convenience. You can turn in an order at any time. We will place the school's order each month after 9am on the Monday following the first Sunday of the month.

Order forms will be placed in your child's file each month. Please also consider placing a standing order. You only need to fill out the blue standing order form and we will place your order each month. You do not have to remember to return the form or remind us. Payment will be due when you pick up your cards. This is great for those 'monthly shopping' kind of cards- Jewel, Mariano's, gas stations, Starbucks, etc. You can always add to your order for other cards.

This month your order forms are due by 9:00am on Monday, January 10th to be placed in the January order. This month's manna cards will be ready for pick-up or distribution on Thursday, January 13th by noon. If you need a new form, ask Karen at drop off.

This has turned out to be a great fund raiser for our school. Parents who use it regularly have expressed their pleasure at the ease and convenience of purchasing cards through the program.



Raise a slice
FOR A
GOOD CAUSE

Messiah CCC
Fundraiser at
Lou Malnati's
Pizza in PR

MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHILD CARE CENTER

DATE

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

LOCATION

Lou Malnati's Park Ridge

4:00pm - 10:00pm

650 N North 1st Hwy

(847) 292-2277

Be sure to mention Messiah fundraiser or our flyer when ordering.

SUPPORT THE

**MESSIAH LUTHERAN
CHILD CARE CENTER
FUNDRAISER!**

FOR QUESTIONS

Please contact Rita Kotowski

847 825-3767

messiahchildcarecenter@gmail.com

Lou Malnati's will donate 20% of total sales to your organization (20% based on pre-tax purchase, excluding alcohol) from every order received from Dine-In, Carryout or Delivery (within zone).

Make sure to mention the flyer or fundraiser during your phone order.

*** INCLUDES ONLINE AND APP ORDERING. USE CODE: FUNDMLCC21 ***

PLEASE NOTE

- Must mention fundraiser at time of order to ensure credit towards fundraiser
- Please check receipt for "fundraiser" item, if you do not see "fundraiser" on your receipt, please see or call a manager. For online orders, it will be indicated after you enter the promo code
- For questions or concerns please email fundraising@loumalnatis.com

Messiah will be holding it's first restaurant fund raiser of 2022 at Park Ridge's Lou Malnati's on Tuesday, January 18th. Enjoy a delicious meal and Messiah will benefit from your purchase. Lou Malnati's is located at 650 N. Northwest Hwy. in PR (in the Village Green Shopping Center). Thank you for your support of our fundraiser!! **Be sure to mention Messiah fundraiser or our flyer when ordering.**

Lou Malnati's Fund
Raiser-January 18th

January 2022

New Year's Day

Decorate paper hats with stickers.

Sing "Mary Had a Little Lamb."



Drinking Straw Patented

Serve juice or milk with drinking straws.

Louis Braille's Birthday

Look for Braille writing in public places.

Make a row of snowballs and count them.

Sweep the kitchen floor together.



Put on jazzy music and exercise.

Snip thin strips of paper into small pieces.

Sort the silverware into its proper places.

Frost graham crackers and add a sprinkling of coconut.

Let your child play with measuring cups in the bathtub.



Play a clapping game, such as Pease Porridge Hot.

Arrange shoes from smallest to largest.



Punch holes in a cardboard shape and thread a shoelace in and out of the holes.

To revitalize your felt-tip markers: dip them in water, put on lids, and let sit overnight.

Think of things to do with your elbows.

Secretly deliver a homemade card to a friend or neighbor.

A. A. Milne's Birthday

Celebrate by sharing a Pooh story together.

Pretend to be snow people.

Go outside and look for signs of animals.

Look at a new book together. Before reading the words, make up a story for the pictures.

Draw a design with crayons and paint it with watercolors.

National Pie Day

Eat a piece of pie.



Let your child use a pencil and notepad to "write" orders for a pretend lunch.

Look through the newspaper to find the letters in your child's name.

Teach your child the rhyme "Hickory, Dickory, Dock."

Make up additional verses for "Hickory, Dickory, Dock."



Sort small toy cars or blocks by color.

Make circles with your arms.

Walk on tiptoe.

Tape colorful paper scraps to plain paper.

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