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End-of-the-year activities-

- Tuesday, June 4th**-(weather permitting)-5:45pm-8pm-End-of-the-year, family picnic on the school's playground
- Wednesday, June 5th**-11:45am- Jr. Kdgn./Kindergarten graduation Portillos luncheon
- Thursday, June 6th**-4:00pm -Jr. Kdgn./Kindergarten program in the church and reception in 'Friendship Place'
- Thursday, June 6th**-Last day of school year
- Friday, June 7th**-School closed-Cleaning day
- Monday, June 10th**-Summer programs begin



-END OF THE YEAR FAMILY PICNIC-

- Tuesday, June 4th**
 - 5:45pm.**
 - On the school playground
- Bring your own food, liquid refreshments, dishes, eating utensils and seating accommodations.
 - Cake will be available for dessert.
 - In case of rain or very wet ground, the picnic will need to be cancelled.



Fall (and Summer) Openings

There are still some parent-tot, younger 3's, Pre K-1, Pre K-2, Pre K-3 and Jr. Kdgn/Kindergarten openings for the fall. There are also still some summer classes available. Check with the office if you are interested in having your child(ren) spend the summer with us! The more the merrier!

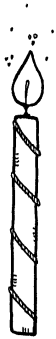
If your child has enrolled for the summer, you should have already received your confirmation, invoice, vacation form and field trip form. Please return the field trip form and payment ASAP.

June calendars will be distributed on the first day of the summer program. See page 3 of this newsletter for more information, or stop in to see Karen, Rita or Cathy for information and availabilities.

Door Security

We would like to remind parents that you are a valuable part of our school's security. We ask that you pay attention to people in our parking lot or wishing to enter the building when you have buzzed in, and not permit strangers/those who don't know the code to enter with you. Either buzz a teacher to have her come to the door, or use your phone to call inside and explain that a stranger is at our doorstep. Do not give out our school's door codes to others and please, be patient if we need you to repeat your name if we cannot make a visual identification of you and you wish to be buzzed in. Thanks for your assistance.

Happy Birthday to You!



June 3, Mila D.-4 years old
 June 5 Aiden H.-3 years old
 June 7-Cullum C.-5 years old
 June 8-Ana P.-5 years old
 June 8 Emma R.-4 years old
 June 20-Jory P.-5 years old
 June 20-Riley H.-5 years old
 June 22-Olive C.-4 years old
 June 26-Haley C.-5 years old
 June 26-Maria D.-4 years old
 June 26-Stevie S.-5 years old

• our summer birthdays

July 4-Lucia F.-5 years old
 July 4-Olivia F.-5 years old
 July 4-Miss Debbie
 July 5-Miss Carrie
 July 7-Miss Maggie
 July 16-Mia M.-5 years old
 July 17-Emma P.-5 years old
 July 17-Max K.-5 years old
 July 17-Mila S.-6 years old
 July 19-Madison N.-4 years old
 July 23-Miss Karen
 July 24-Edward N.- 5 years old
 July 26-Evie H.-5 years old



August 1 Phinney E.-3 years old
 August 7-Brianna K.-4 years old
 August 7-Hannah K.-4 years old
 August 14-Michael C.-6 years old
 August 22-Clara M.-5 years old
 August 24-Abigail S.-5 years old
 August 26-Laila K.-5 years old



...Helmets, Shirts and Shoes Required...

HELMETS and PADS-

To minimize the possibility of serious injury to our children, we will be enforcing the following safety precautions with regard to outdoor, large wheel-toys that are brought to Messiah;

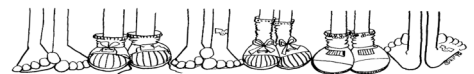
ALL children with a **2 wheeled bike** (with or without training wheels), **roller blades, roller skates or a scooter**, MUST wear a helmet when using their wheel-toys on school property.

Additionally, all children using **roller blades or roller skates**, MUST, also, use knee pads and elbow pads.

Children riding **big wheels or tricycles** are advised to wear helmets while riding on school property.

Restrictions will be in place limiting the number of children riding at any particular time, with respect to their age, ability and 'vehicle'.

SHOES-



For the children's safety on the playground and while riding their large wheel-toys, we require that each day, all children wear, or have available at school, a pair of rubber-soled gym/tennis shoes and socks. If your child will need to change into his/her shoes at school, please provide shoes that your child can put on and take off without assistance (Velcro closure, if your child cannot tie).

Please, do not send your child to school with flip-flops (or ANY backless shoes), elevated heels, or platform shoes of any kind (gym shoes, clogs or dress shoes). All are inappropriate for safe classroom and outdoor play.

SHIRTS/TOPS

Additionally, we are requesting that parents choose age - appropriate and activity-suitable clothing for their children. Tops with bare midribs (rock-star/teen-age style) would not be considered age-appropriate for pre-school and elementary aged students.

We appreciate your consideration in these matters.

Open House for 2019-2020

It will be on **Monday, August 26th from 5:30-7:30pm**. All children, families and friends are welcome to attend and meet our staff and see our classrooms before the first day of our new school year. Fall classes will begin on the next day, Tuesday, August 27th!

For those of you who will be with us in the fall-Mark your calendar for our Open House.



Celebrating Independence Day at Messiah



Messiah Child Care will be closed on Thursday, July 4th and Friday July 5th for Independence Day. All families are invited to come and enjoy the Park Ridge fireworks on July 3rd (generally at about 9:30pm) from the front lawn of Messiah. Reminder-the police usually block the streets around Messiah at about 8 pm. This year, Messiah will be requiring parking passes to park in our back (east) lot. There will only be 40 passes available to Messiah church or child care families who wish to park in our east church lot. If you are

planning to use Messiah's lot, please call the church or school office to make arrangements to pick up your parking pass. A \$15 donation is requested at time of pick up of reserved tickets. Non-reserved spaces may be available in the north parking lot, but they will be on a first

YOGLI-MOGLI
FROZEN YOGURT

Messiah Child Care Last Day of School Fundraiser

Bring your family
and friends

to come out and support Messiah
while enjoying a tasty treat!

Thursday, June 6th
3-7pm



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June Manna Order-think Father's Day

The June Manna orders will be due on Monday, June 3rd (at 9am) and will be available for pick up on Thursday, June 6th. Even if your child will not be attending Messiah during the summer, you

are still encouraged to support our Manna fund raising program. You can place a standing order, which we will place for you in July, August, and throughout next year if you wish, and we will call you when the cards are available for pick up. Payment will be due upon pick up.

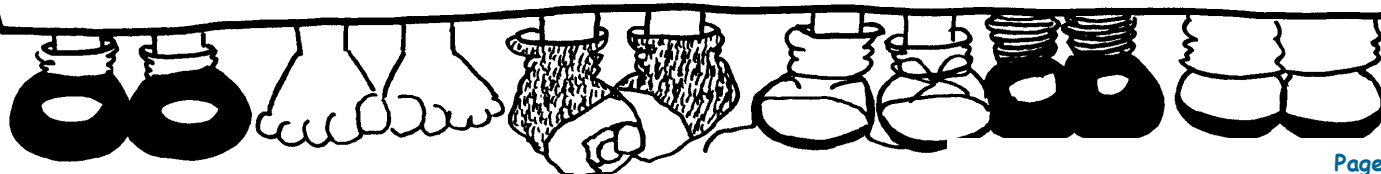
- You can order Manna cards to use as a gift for Father's Day (AMC Theaters, Menards, Home Depot, Dick's Sporting Goods, Office Max, Oberweis)
- You can use the cards yourself to purchase him a gift (Macy's, Fannie Mae, Crate and Barrel). Manna Cards will be available for pick up on Thursday, June 6th-plenty of time to use for Father's Day.
- You can even give dad a certificate for Manna cards (in ANY amount) and let him pick out whichever cards he would most like!!
- Marianos in Park Ridge has gift cards available through Manna-buy these special Father's Day dinner treats-cake, wine, salads-mmmmmmmmmmm!!

PLEASE-consider making a monthly purchase for your regular shopping needs-gas or groceries, Starbucks or Home Depot. If every family purchased \$100 worth of cards for groceries or gasoline each month, Messiah would benefit by \$1000 EACH MONTH!! It's so easy!! You can even place a standing order with us and we will gladly purchase your requested cards on a monthly basis for you. You would no longer need to remember to turn in your monthly form unless you wish to add to your order.

Feedback-

We would appreciate if you would take a few moments to give us some written feedback on your child's year(s) at Messiah. We are always interested in improving the quality of our school and appreciate your input on how we can provide the best service to your child and your family. Please, include the type of activities you and your child have enjoyed and would like to see us continue, as well as suggestions for change and/or additions to our program. If you could write an 'endorsement' (with or without your name) that we can use on our web page, it would be MUCH appreciated

Thank you all for a wonderful year. We appreciate the opportunity of working with you and sharing this exciting year of growth and learning with your child. We thank you for your support, your recommendations and your trust. **The Messiah Child Care Staff**



Update....Our Spring Fun Fair!!

Our spring fun fair was held on Saturday, May 18th!!

The day began breezy, warm, sunny and verging on spring-like. At 2pm (closing time) the raindrops began to fall from the darkened skies. We were certainly blessed with a beautiful, fun day and managed to squeeze in all of our activities before the gray skies opened up!! We had a bouncy house, pony rides and a trackless train for awesome outdoor fun. The entertaining carnival games, face painting (professional face painters as well as a 'do-it-yourself' booth), silent auction and delicious food provided plenty of activity indoors, too. We thank everyone for your generous support of our largest fund raiser of the year.

It is with great appreciation that we wish to thank the people who made our Spring Fun Fair a huge success!!

Thank you:

- To all the parent volunteers, (Seetal, Cecile, Rebeca, Colleen, Louann, Lauren, Angela and Shirlee) who assisted with mailings, helped procure auction items, shopped for a myriad of things, helped wrap the silent auction baskets, organized volunteers, worked on publicity, set up the entire auction, and helped out during the fun fair.
- To the Quality Catering for donating the delicious hot dogs and buns
- To Jewel and Restaurant Depot for donating food and supplies
- To Oberweiss and Yogli Mogli for donating coupons for all of the goody bags
- To Park Ridge vendors for their generous donations: Park Ridge Police, FFC, Barre Code, Bredemann, Lurveys, Goldfish Swim School, CN Medical Aesthetics, VIVE Therapeutic Massage, Charles Joseph Salon, Savvy Salon, Beer on the Wall, Picture Us Different Dance Studio, Jackie's Nails and Spa, Hill's Hallmark, Park Ridge Park District, Potbelly's, Orangetheory Fitness, Nonno Silvia's, Shakou, Perry's Pizzeria, Tea Lula Pinot's Palette, Sportclips, Park Ridge Chamber of Commerce, deVine Salon, deVine Salon
- To our Messiah family donors: Danny Park (ReviVe Wellness), Jennifer Ross (Spanish lessons), Nina Kozol (Yoga class), Ivanka Gajecky (Jim Beam Baskets), Joe Miller (Select Beers), Marty Murphy (handcrafted Cubs sign), Beth Norman (L'Amour Salon), Bill Nevruz (Lettuce Entertain You gift cards), Alaine Wong (Infant Massage).
- To all of the Messiah child care center, church and board families who donated items to the classroom baskets, who attended the fun fair with their children, who helped manage the games, who helped set up and clean up, and who generously supported our silent auction
- To all of the Messiah teachers who created beautiful classroom projects and who in addition, managed games and made their classrooms available for the fair
- To Cathy and Rita who provided the support, ideas and energy to keep the planning (and director) moving forward

Our fund raising efforts have been put towards playground improvements and maintenance.

Thank you, thank you, thank you, for your continued support of our school. We appreciate everyone's participation, cooperation and backing.

Thank you! Karen



Messiah T-shirts & Sweatshirts-

We still have adult and youth, Messiah CCC gray hooded, zippered sweatshirts available for purchase. Also a few 2018-19 Navy Blue t-shirts. If you are interested, stop in the school office.

Park Ridge Memorial Day Parade



Summer Parent-Tot classes

****Check out our summer Parent-Tot program, with Miss Cristina, for children 18 months-36 months old. The Monday class still has a couple of openings at the 9:10-10:30 session. Class begins on June 10th. Stop by the office if you are interested.



Looking ahead to 2019-2020-Volunteer Opportunities

1. We are seeking a parent who would take on a publicity role for us, submitting articles and photos to the local newspaper on a regular basis (about 4-5 times during the year).
2. For all Messiah families—past, present and future!! Check our web page for all kinds of Messiah information and events. Our web page is www.messiahchildcare.com. We put newsletters, lunch menus, and class calendars on it each month in addition to the children's required forms, medicals, registration materials and enrollment information. PTO events and activities will be listed for everyone's convenience!! If there is a parent who would like to help update and maintain our web site, please see Karen or Rita.
3. A Scholastic Book order parent-collating book orders 5x/year.

June

National
Rose
Month

Make double-decker sandwiches for lunch.

Let your children help you make donuts.

Draw happy pictures.



On a trip to the park, find a rose bush to look at and sniff.

Sing old camp songs with your children.

Plan a fun family activity for this evening.

Write or draw in the sand at the beach or in the sandbox.

Count to 20 together.



Donald Duck's Birthday

Read a Disney book or watch a Donald Duck movie.

Roll or bounce a ball back and forth with your children.

Turn on the radio and dance.

When visiting the zoo, look for different sizes and colors of animals.

Send a letter to a friend. Let your children enclose a short note or a picture.

Flag Day

Ask your children to look for American flags.



Teach your children how to set the table.

Play Hide and Seek.

Father's Day

Do something special for yourself (or your spouse) today.

Give your children an old camera to play with. Practice posing for pictures.

Make finger puppets by cutting off the tips of old gloves and decorating them.

Go to the library.

Fly paper airplanes.



Teach your children how to care for a pet.

Make a ramp for your children to ride their bikes or trikes over.

Look for purple things in your house.

Look and listen for birds.



Core a small apple and fill it with peanut butter for an outdoor snack.

Ask your children to say a word, then say a rhyming word back to them.

Cut shapes out of colored paper. Paste them on paper to make pictures.

Decorate small boxes to keep special things in.



Tear flower pictures out of gardening magazines to make a collage.

In order to alert families who may have any allergies or sensitivities, DCFS regulations require that we inform all families of visits to our school from our pest control company. Messiah Lutheran Child Care Center has a contract with International Exterminator Company to service our church and school each month. Details of their service is recorded in a log book which is located on the door of the church secretary's office and is available for anyone's viewing.

See Karen if you have any questions.

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