



Growing in God's Love

# Preschool News

Christ Lutheran Preschool

June 2018 Edition

## From the Director...

In June, we will celebrate father's day a little **early**, Friday, **June 8<sup>th</sup>** with **Dads & Donuts**. Coffee, Donuts, fruit, and activities will be available for you to participate in at your convenience between 7am and 9am in the courtyard. We wish all dads a very Happy Father's Day!

**Summer and Fall Registration** confirmation notices went out the end of May. Our summer theme is "**Storybook Summer**" and will include water days, wheel days, and special visitors. We are excited to loosen up, enjoy, and have a fun summer!

On **Wednesday, June 20**, we will conclude the year with Graduation for students going to Kindergarten from Room 4&5 and our End of the Year Program for the whole school. **Graduation** (for students going to Kindergarten only) will take place **in the Church sanctuary at 10:30am**. We then invite you to head over to the **social hall** for the **End of the Year Program** (for everyone) which starts at **11:30am** and will consist of Webby dance performances, classroom performances, and cake and punch reception on the playground. **School will CLOSE at 1pm**. We hope you will all be able to join us for this memorable occasion.

It's hard to believe the end of the year is here and we will soon be saying goodbye to some friends and hello to new friends. So much happens in a year's time with this young age group of children. They grow and develop so much in such a short period. We cherish the time we spend with your little ones and it is truly a privilege to be a part of your children's foundation for learning. As we send our graduates off to Kindergarten, we wish them a lifetime of learning, success, and happiness and we look forward to another year of growing in God's Love at CLP with our students that will be returning.

With much love and gratitude,  
Lisa Clinton  
Director



# Parent's Corner

1. Have pool party
2. Go to a Drive In
3. Catch lightening Bugs
4. Take a nap or read a book in the hammock
5. Blow Bubbles as a family
6. Putt putt golf
7. Go see the ocean!
8. Play a sandcastle
9. Make s'mores
10. Start a summer reading list
11. Enjoy your choice of fresh fruit
12. Visit an amusement park
13. Have some corn on cob
14. Go fishing
15. Visit a farmers market
16. Have a barbecue
17. Have a picnic in the park
18. Sit on a porch swing unplugged
19. Go to an outdoor concert
20. Make a homemade ice cream
21. Go to a parade
22. Toss a frisbee
23. Play in the rain
24. Make a summer playlist
25. Go to a baseball game
26. Make snow cones
27. Get a summer haircut
28. Fly a kite
29. Make a bird feeder
30. Take a weekend trip
31. Go canoing
32. Go for a bike ride
33. Go camping
34. Visit a national park
35. Make lemonade from scratch
36. Get involved with VBS
37. Have a balloon fight
38. Have frozen grapes on a stick
39. Draw beautiful pictures together with sidewalk chalk
40. Play with the hose
41. Freeze Kool aid in ice trays
42. Visit the Zoo
43. Go cloud watching
44. Start a garden
45. Jump Rope
46. Go bird watching
47. Visit a farm
48. Join a library summer program
49. Give the dog a big soapy bath outside
50. Have fun, lots of it!



50 WAYS TO CELEBRATE  
SUMMER

# How to Help Your Child Transition Smoothly Between Places and Activities

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Transitioning, or moving, to new places, people and activities is something we do many times during the day. However, change can be overwhelming and seem unpredictable for your child, especially when she is not ready to move on to the next place or activity. Children make many transitions each day—from parents to teachers, from home to car, or from play time to the dinner table, for example. When and how often transitions occur are usually decided by an adult and children often act out with challenging behavior when they feel unable to control their routine. When you help your child prepare for transitions you are helping her to learn a valuable skill. The good news is that you can teach her this important skill while you are enjoying time together.

## Try This at Home

Use a timer, an instrument or a funny noise to give your child advance warning of routine transition events. If possible, ask him to help “alert” everyone to the upcoming event. For example, let your toddler bang a pot with a wooden spoon to let the family know it is time for dinner.

” Let your child pick out a special object or toy to transition with to the next activity or place. “Would kitty like to come with us to the grocery store? I wonder if she could help us find the items on our list?”

” Use a visual schedule to show your child the plan for the day. “First, you have school and then we are going to take Aunt Rachel’s gift to the post office and mail it to her.”

” Make the transition a game or activity where the child has the opportunity to move around. “I wonder if today we can use this big shovel to scoop the cars into the bucket while we clean up?” If possible, let him think of the game. “I wonder how we could get to the car today?” You might be surprised at his creativity and

how much fun you have roaring like a dinosaur or hopping like a rabbit.

” Sing songs as you transition. Children love to hear songs as they move about their day. Make up silly songs together about what you are doing or where you are going. You are sure to get a laugh and likely a smooth transition.

” Give your child a job. Children are more cooperative when they can be part of the process. Perhaps he can help stir something for dinner, unlock the car doors with the remote or pick out a diaper before a diaper change.

## The Bottom Line

The more a child can predict and participate in the schedule and activities of her day, the less likely it is that challenging behavior will occur and the more likely it is that she will eagerly engage in transitions to new people and places. Taking the time and making the effort to teach her what to expect, when it will happen, and what happens before the transition occurs can be a rewarding experience. Most importantly, it is also an opportunity for quality time that can help lead to smoother transitions.



## Mark Your Calendar...

June 8 – Dads & Donuts available from 7-9am in the courtyard

June 20 – Graduation 10:30, End of Year Program 11:30, School CLOSES @ 1

June 21-22 – CLOSED-staff work days

June 25 – Summer Session Begins

## Happy Birthday!

Gianna Gambardello (Rm 1) ~ June 8

Ms. Grounds (afternoon) ~ June 17

Mrs. Skinner (Rm 3) – June 20



## June Scripture

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace.

*~Numbers 6:24-26*



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*Please note: we will not have a newsletter during the summer.*