



GROWING HIGHLIGHTS

A NEWSLETTER FOR PARENTS AND CHILDREN



Since 1983

Director Notes

Dear Parents,

It seems like only a few weeks ago I was reminding you to check the office door to see which room your child would be in for the summer, and asking for parents to turn in summer field trip calendars. Summer always goes much too quickly!

I am just starting to work on class lists for the fall program-if you know of a schedule change, please get that information to me right away. Also, for any of our parents that are expecting, it is important that you let me know and get your little one on our waiting list. You only pay the registration fee once, so all you need to do is get a new registration form to me, or print it off of our website www.grandmashouse.org/registration.html.

Speaking of our website, did you know that you can submit vacation requests, request expense statements, transfer your payment if you receive funding through the state, see our monthly menu, find out what days that we are closed for the year and see our latest newsletter there? We also have all of our paperwork on the site that you can print off as needed-like when you are headed to the doctor and your child needs his health report updated, or if you decide to start using our Automated Tuition Payment System. Spend a few minutes looking around on it -you might be surprised what you find!

As always, my door is always open!

Christie Dapelo, Director

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Congratulations

On celebrating anniversaries with Grandma's House!

Ms. Sheryl	25 Years
Ms. Christie	19 Years
Ms. Lao	10 Years
Ms. Kari M.	9 Years
Ms. Nikki	9 Years
Ms. Shannon	4 Years
Ms. Kayleigh	3 Years
Ms. Amanda	2 Years
Ms. Lori	2 Years
Ms. Delvina	2 Years
Ms. Taylor	1 Year

Bubble Guppies

What an amazing summer we are having! This past month we talked about colors and zoo animals. We made big fire work pictures by using paint and foil. We read books about many different colors, sang songs and made music on the drums. During our zoo animal unit we made animal prints by folding paper and rubbing the paint around. We listened to the Lion King soundtrack, looked at animal pictures around our room, and touched fur in our animal book. The month of August will be filled with the State Fair. Please remember to check your child's cubby daily.

~Ms. Mo and Ms. Amanda, 2nd Infants



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Happy Birthday

July

- 1 Kyle Czervionke
- 2 Tommy Kaifesh
- 5 Maggie Miller
- 5 Adele Blanchette
- 5 Avery Huitt
- 7 Joshua Williams
- 7 Will Makocy
- 10 Miley McGrath
- 11 Aalanianna Fox
- 13 Leila Miles
- 13 Priscilla Weiss
- 17 Dominick Fuchs
- 18 Carson Reiter
- 19 Landon Beyer
- 20 Brooke Nelson
- 21 Allison Banda
- 25 Mason McKinney
- 28 Waverly Zimmerman
- 28 Willa Whitehaus
- 29 James Pirlot
- 29 Lucy Jermstad
- 29 Aidan Miller

August

- 4 Ms. Nancy
- 5 Audrey Blanchette
- 7 Nolan Strick
- 7 Olivia Luke
- 8 Wesley Nelson
- 12 William Kregel
- 12 Colburn Christofferson
- 13 Anna Kate Allen-Norris
- 16 Landon Drew
- 17 Elianna Miles
- 17 Madelyn Campbell
- 17 Nadia Szafir
- 18 Ms. Michele
- 19 Mr. Scott
- 20 Soren Van Hart
- 20 Christian Sullivan
- 20 Ms. Amy E.
- 21 Shelby Patten
- 21 Kenley Fulfer
- 23 Clara Prowse
- 27 Caden Barkow
- 27 Malik Williamson
- 29 Sydnee Braatz
- 30 Poppy Fantle
- 31 Alexander Harvey



The steady buzzzzzzzz of the Katydid chorus, and the bass solo of the croaking Frog - a summer night's serenade.

~Michael P. Garofalo

♥ CPR/First Aid Classes ♥

Grandma's House offers American Heart Association (AHA) Heart Saver w/AED and Medic First Aid Pediatric training through **PULSES** to our staff.

Parents are also welcome to participate in this training. This is a great opportunity to learn how to handle emergency situations should they arise.

Our next class is **Saturday, September 16, 2017** at our Tosa Center from 8:30 -10:30 am. The cost is \$42 per person. If you are interested, please see Christie to sign up.

BANDANA BANDITS

Giddy-Up! The Bandana Bandits are having a "rootin'-tootin'" summer so far. Thank you to all the chaperones that joined us on our adventures. The Bandits have been workin' real hard on their shape recognition, color labeling and number recognition. We have explored the Wild West, the rodeo and the World of Wizards. The kiddos have enjoyed lassoing their "bulls" (tricycles) and riding their "horses" (logs) with saddles and saddle blankets. We have also dabbled with potion making and wand wielding. They are getting really good at casting the "turn you into a frog" spell...so watch out! We are starting a newer self-help skill and some of us still need a lot of practice. We are learning to pour our own drink from a small pitcher, so if you could encourage this at home that would be helpful. Bath time is a great time to practice this skill. Any questions...please feel free to contact me in person or by phone (at nap-time!)

~ Ms. Amy, 2 1/2's

Rugrats

We hope that you are all enjoying this beautiful summer weather because we sure have! We are having a lot of water play to help cool us down while enjoying the sunshine. We also enjoy taking walks around the neighborhood. Seeing the neighborhood helps the children understand the world that surrounds them. The walks also allow the children to see new sights and it is a change of scenery. We enjoyed our units on the Beach and 4th of July. The art projects were a favorite with these units. Our upcoming themes will be Camping and Farming/State Fair. We will be trying different foods and doing more fantastic art. Thank you parents and enjoy the rest of your summer!

~Ms. Mailee & Ms. Delvina, 1st Toddlers

Sweet Treats

Can you believe that summer is almost over? The Sweet Treats have had a lot of fun! We have gone on fun field trips like the Zoo and Kids in Motion. Our favorite part is riding the bumpy bus! Our lesson plans have been fun too. We enjoyed talking about the summer and zoo animals. Our next units will be on Pets and Community Helpers. If you know any police officers, fire fighters, chef/bakers, mail carriers, etc., please let us know. We would love to have them visit and share what they do. We are working on using spoons at every meal as part of our self-help skills. Please encourage your child to use utensils at home.

~ Ms. Kim & Ms. Courtney, 2's

Artists

With the summer program coming to an end, the Little Artists have been busy experiencing and learning through various activities. We also have been working really hard on tummy time so we can get big and strong! A fun idea to try at home that incorporates both these things is to fill a gallon size Ziploc bag with paint, shaving cream, gel or water. Close the bag and tape it for extra security. While your baby is on their belly, they can manipulate the bag.

~Ms. Cassie & Ms. Shantice, 1st Infants

Happy Campers



Wow...the summer is sure flying by! The 3 year olds have loved every minute of it so far. Water play is by far one of our favorites. We are in our swimming suits almost every day unless we are out on a field trip. While we are inside, you will catch us using the dry erase board, practicing writing our letters, playing with play-doh, cutting up paper and much more! These are all great fine motor activities. We hope you have a wonderful August and enjoy the last few weeks of summer.

~ Ms. Jess & Ms. Taylor, 3's

Sundance Kids

We are having a lot of fun in the Yogi Bear room! We have been busy splashing in the pools and jumping over the sprinkler. We also have been keeping up with our size and color matching. We are still working with using a spoon or fork at lunch time. Please encourage your child to do the same at home. We are also working on putting puzzles together. This could be a great rainy day activity that you could do at home with your child.

~Ms. Esther & Ms. Laura, 2nd Toddlers

