



**Grandma's  
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Day Care Center  
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## GROWING HIGHLIGHTS

A NEWSLETTER FOR PARENTS

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## Happy Birthday

- 1 Ellison Lambert
- 1 Kate Storm
- 1 Adalynn Glenn
- 2 Cecilia Koval
- 3 Kalissa Makinen
- 6 Zachary Reich
- 7 Ms. Virginia
- 7 Ms. Christie
- 10 Jaxson Fox-Key
- 10 Braden Player
- 10 Ms. Katie
- 12 Vanessa Luke
- 12 Ethan Czervionke
- 13 Amelia Vick
- 15 Addison Hennen
- 15 Jacob Demos
- 16 Aksel Grenda
- 18 Ms. Christina
- 19 Natalie Roth
- 21 Grant Fulfer
- 23 Maceo Gill
- 24 Henry Paradis
- 26 Lelan McClure
- 26 Ms. Monique
- 28 Ryan Clark
- 28 Colin Joachim
- 28 Ms. Erin
- 29 Ms. Jess

## Director Notes

Dear Parents,  
Summer calendars are out, teachers are getting ready to welcome new children into their rooms, and the smell of sunscreen is in the air-that can only mean one thing..... Summer is almost here!  
For those of you who are new to Grandma's House, the first Monday after school lets out is the start of what we call our summer program. The only thing that is different is that children over the age of 2 go on weekly field trips to lots of fun places. For all of our under 2 friends, your little ones won't be going on field trips, but they will be spending more time outside and playing in the water. Please check the office door to see which classroom your child will be in this summer as well as who his or her teachers will be. We will take care of moving all of their belongings, just like any transition they would make during the

year.

Some of you might remember seeing little red stop signs on our doors leading outside. We have added them back to the door-and also added "ONLY GROWNUPS OPEN DOORS!". I know lots of little ones like to open the door when it is time to leave, but please don't allow them to do this. Teachers (and other grownups) are the only ones allowed to open doors-we don't want pinched fingers or children opening the doors and letting themselves, or their friends, outside. We don't want to send them any mixed messages, so your help with this is greatly appreciated!

Looking forward to a warm, fun and stress-free summer!

**Christie Dapelo, Director**

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## Fox Trotters



Howdy Folks! Welcome to the Bandana Bandits room. Our 2 ½ year olds will be rustling up some new self-help skills as well as perfecting some older ones. Come join us on our Wild West adventure this summer! As a class we will be going on at least one field trip a week so please remember to check the calendar on our parent board and/or make a copy of the form you filled out. This way your Lil' Bandit won't miss out on any adventures. Any questions, feel free to contact me.  
~Ms. Amy R. & Ms.

## ♥ 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, August 5, 2017** at our Tosa Center from 8:30 -10:30 am.

The cost is \$42 per person.

If you are interested, please see Ms. Christie to sign up.

## Literacy Bags

Please take a moment to look at home or in your car for literacy bags you may have borrowed so that you can return them. I would like to exchange them with new titles and activities.

Thank you, Katie Pleuss  
[kpleuss@grandmashouse.org](mailto:kpleuss@grandmashouse.org)

**Sand and Sun**  
**Summer Has Begun!**

## Minions



The month of May has been a fun and exciting month. We have had a name change and we are now known as the RUGRATS. Yes, for those who remember the 90's you will understand how watching RUGRATS gave you an inside glimpse of how advanced a child's brain really is! Although this was just a cartoon, 90% of a child's brain development happens before the age of five. This means that children have an increasingly high ability to understand their environment as well as learn many new things and begin to problem solve in their daily lives. So, for the month of June, we will be helping aid that important brain development by giving our children new and more adventurous activities, art, stories and problem solving materials.

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

## Somewhere Over the Rainbow

Happy Summer! With the warmer weather come different sensory experiences. We like to bring outside inside. For example, water play (water bags to kick or little buckets to splash in with supervision) and fresh air (opening the windows or going for a walk in the shady areas outside). Our summer room name is the Lil Artists so don't be surprised when your little one comes home with leftover paint hues on their toes. Painting with your baby is a great activity to try, it creates conversations about color, sensory (squishy, wet and cold) and best of all you get to enjoy your baby's artwork when it is done. If you would like any tips on how to do it at home, please ask.

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

## Park Rangers



We hope you all have been enjoying the warmer weather as we have been here at Grandma's House. The children have been going on walks more and focusing on our lesson plan themes. As you may have noticed many of the children's vocabularies have been expanding at a noticeable rate. Focusing on gross motor will be at the top of our priority list in the upcoming month as children are eager to reach their potential. Field trips will be coming for those children who are turning 2 years old. If your child's sunscreen needs have changed, now is a good time to update those things on your child's purple health form.

~Ms. Kim & Ms. Topacio, 3rd Toddlers

## Picture Perfect



Dads...mark your calendars! We want to celebrate all of our wonderful Fathers on June 16th from 6:30-8:00 a.m.

As the summer program approaches, we have some exciting themes happening in our room. We will be talking about the zoo and camping! For our portfolio we will be practicing cutting and A/B patterning. An easy way to incorporate cutting at home is letting your child cut up the junk mail. A/B patterning can be done with something that has 2 colors. Legos are a great example of this and you can work with your child on mastering this skill. We are looking forward to fun in the sun.

~ Ms. Jess & Ms. Amanda, Young 3's

## Rainbows



We are so excited that summer is finally here and the weather is warming up! Please bring in a light jacket for your child. Sometimes it is still a bit chilly on our early morning walks. We are working on imitating and rolling over. We have also been working on signing "more" and "all done" during our afternoon snack.

~Ms. Lao & Ms. Taylor, 3rd

## Yogi Bears



This is the last news briefing from the Yogi Bears. Room 007 will soon be saying howdy y'all to the rootinist, tootinist group of cowboys and girls these parts have ever seen. This summer the Sundance Kids will say adios to the indoors and will be spending more time using their senses to explore their outdoor environment. Parents, please remember to switch out extra clothes for some more summer appropriate attire. We would appreciate it! Grandma's House provides sunscreen and bug repellent, but you will still need to bring in a sun hat, water shoes, swim diapers and a swimsuit. Thank you!!

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

## Football Fanatics



The Draft has come and gone and it is now time for training camp. Training camp consists of working hard and getting those pedals on the trikes moving. The coaches will also help build AB patterns. There has been a trade! Coach Jennifer is moving to the school-agers and Coach Courtney is getting 2 year olds. Coach Kim from the Almost 2's will be joining Coach Courtney. Moving forward... keep on using those utensils so we get big and strong.

~Ms. Courtney & Ms. Jennifer, 2 1/2's

## Congratulations

On celebrating anniversaries with  
Grandma's House!

Ms. Amy E. 4 Years

Ms. Mai Lee 2 Years

Ms. Liz 1 Year

## Picture Day

Wednesday,  
June 16th



Join  
Us!

**Grandma's House Family Picnic**  
**Wiberg Aquatic Center ~ Sunday, June 4, 2017**