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Summer Program

Live 2 Play



Dear Families,

These first few weeks have been quite an adventure! Let's combine a brand-new director's role, new faces and classrooms, add a splash of summer sunshine and a healthy helping of amazing field trips. What do you get? You'll end up with Summer 2026 at Tosa-and I can't imagine a better way to get things rolling. Favorite part? That's easy. Walking through the classrooms each day brings a smile to my face. Children proudly singing songs, independently solving problems, discovering new things, encouraging one another with a hug or smile; the list goes on.

It is not lost on me that each of these moments does not just happen. A dedicated partnership between parents and teachers; along with their peers, who unknowingly participate in these moments, create safe, nurturing and fun environments where the magic can happen. It's a privilege to witness and experience this every day. Thank you, parents. Thank you, teachers. Thank you to the stars of it all- the children!

Next up? Fall Program, another season full of new faces and classrooms! Please reach out if your family's needs have changed (no longer need care, schedule changes, etc.), please let me know by Friday, August 7th so I can make the necessary changes on our end. Fall class lists will be posted on the office door a week or so before Fall Program starts, August 31st. Be sure to look where your child will be; many changes happen during our Fall transition.

Please note: our waiting list is still a year out. So, if you are expecting or thinking about expanding your family, please get those registration forms in as soon as possible! We can prioritize siblings with enough notice. With that said, please get the form into us ASAP and we will have space for your family.

Reminder, Grandma's House will be closing at 3 pm on Friday, August 28th. This enables our wonderful teachers to prepare their classrooms for Fall. Any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Thanks,

Kari Casper

Director

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Saturday, 8/22
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

*Save
The
Date*

**GRANDMA'S HOUSE
DAY AT THE**

POOL *and
a*
PICNIC

Zero Depth Pool | Big Pool | Water Slide Geysers
 Sand Play Area & Playground | Lunch | Ice Cream

MEET & MINGLE WITH OTHER FAMILIES

 **WIBERG AQUATIC | PICNIC AREA 9
BROOKFIELD, WI**

*Meet & Mingle
with families
from
Grandma's
House*

There is still time
to RSVP

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*Join Us
Rain or Shine*



July

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| 1 | Miles L. |
| 1 | Cameron W. |
| 1 | Nolan R. |
| 3 | Liam E. |
| 3 | Ms. Allie |
| 4 | Lucas D. |
| 6 | Annalise G. |
| 7 | August G. |
| 7 | Callen D. |
| 11 | Jason P. |
| 12 | Patrick S. |
| 17 | Anastasia D. |
| 17 | Ms. Bekah |
| 18 | Iza D. |
| 18 | Miles G. |

22 Etta G.
28 Giovani G.
31 Teacher Ty

August

2 Gordon G.
2 AJ S.
4 Nathan K.
5 Zoe K.
6 Mara S.
6 Leighton C.
7 Marty C.
10 Emmelyn C.
11 Ms. Justine
13 Ms. Abbie
14 Zoe A.
15 Elowyn O.
15 Ezra G.
18 Ms. Michele
19 Mr. Scott
20 Ms. Ashley
20 Ms. Amy E.
21 Ms. Amy B.
25 Ruby L.
27 Royal M.
29 Owen F.
30 Leilani S.
30 JJ B.
31 August M.
31 Soren M.

CONGRATULATIONS

*on celebrating anniversaries with
Grandma's House*

July

Ms. Sheryl 34 Years
Ms. Kayleigh 12 Years

August

Ms. Christie 28 Years
Ms. Kari 18 Years

<i>Ms. Nikki</i>	<i>18 Years</i>
<i>Ms. Dawn</i>	<i>8 Years</i>
<i>Ms. Bekah</i>	<i>5 Years</i>

Sesame Street Babies - Ms. Ana and Ms. Vee

Summer is flying by and we are working hard throughout July. We focused on fine motor skills such as grasping objects, and gross motor skills, such as tummy time and sitting without support. We also enjoyed exploring new items connected to our weekly themes. During our America lesson plan, we used red, white, and blue paint to create a flag and sang themed songs. During our Ocean lesson plan, we explored textures of sea animals while reading and singing about ocean life. For our Camping lesson plan, we learned about forest animals, camping equipment, and camping songs. We are excited for August and our Summer Sensory Fun activities including bubble bath splash play, fun in the sun, and beach-themed experiences. We will end the month with a Farm Animals theme. As always, please feel free to talk with us during drop off and pick up times if you have any questions, or send us a message through the app. We look forward to a wonderful August and hope to see everyone at our annual Grandma's House Family Picnic, August 22nd. We want to thank all our families for participating in your child's informal assessment and progress report.

Ms. Bekah and Ms. Cali

July is flying by! This month has been so full of many little moments that remind us just how much your babies are growing. Between practicing sitting independently, sharing smiles and babbles to friends, or becoming more aware and curious of the world around them; it's all been amazing to see! One of our biggest focuses this past month has been building the strength needed for independent sitting and for their next big milestone, crawling! We are doing this through plenty of tummy time, floor play, and by moving freely, encouraging positivity, muscle development, and balance at their own pace, of course. We have also been working on strengthening fine motor skills by practicing grabbing, grasping, and pinching different toys and textures. These small movements play such a big role in your infant's development. You can work on fine motor skills at home by guiding your infant to help flip book pages when reading stories to them.

Ms. Stephanie and Ms. Allie

Happy summer and warm welcome to baby room #002! We have a new friend joining our class and birthdays are coming up!

This summer has been very busy- each day filled with joyful play and exploration of senses. We are all learning how to move our bodies and crawl and pull up to stand! It is so exciting to see each day the small improvements in everybody.

Our two recent learning themes were beaches and pets! We read stories about ocean critters, like the "Pout-pout Fish" and "Baby Shark". Friends explored sensory and science through a bucket of sand and beach toys.

In our pet unit we sang "My Bunny Goes Hop", "Tiny Tim" and counted during the "Ten Little Kittens" flannel story. Friends painted cloud art, with white paint on blue paper.

Our goals for the upcoming unit:

- Strengthen our hand muscles by pincer grasping small pieces of food to feed ourselves and flip through pages of a book.

- Strengthen gross motor by crawling through tunnels and crawling over ramps.

Enjoy the warm weather!

Ms. MaiLee and Ms. Amy E.

First off, welcome to our newest friends! We hope everyone is doing well and staying cool. So far, we've been doing a lot of learning outside, such as popping bubbles, pushing/pulling cars, learning to climb up the stairs and go down the slide, and so much more. All the activities help each child with their milestone developments, such as fine and gross motor skills. Hopefully, we can soon enjoy some water play. So, if you haven't, please bring a swimsuit, water bottle, and water shoes, or extra socks. Please also label everything you bring which helps us greatly!!

Besides outdoor fun, we've been learning about different themes. We explored colored sand, counted seashells, and read many books about our beach theme. We also got to look at starfish, shells, and sand dollars. We also talked about July 4th. The upcoming themes are as follows: camping and ice cream. Look out for more fun planned activities. We will be painting with marshmallows, listening to camp songs, playing with ice cream scoopers, and singing many songs. As a reminder, lesson plans are posted on the parent board. Just keep in mind that what we plan may change due to the children's interests. Lastly, we know that it's a hard transition in this room, but we are here to help in any way, so do not hesitate to send us a message or talk with us at pick up/drop off. Have a great rest of your summer!

Ms. Emi and Ms. Karen

Happy hot summer everyone! We are excited to welcome our new friends to our classroom this month! We are so happy to have them join us and look forward to making many wonderful memories together.

This month, the children have been practicing using plates during mealtimes. They are learning important self-help skills such as keeping food on their plates and feeding themselves with growing independence.

Our little scientists had a blast exploring with pipettes, strengthening their fine motor skills by squeezing the small bulb. We enjoyed creating sparkling volcanoes, watching the fizzy reactions with lots of excitement and curiosity!

We will continue encouraging our younger toddlers to build confidence in their gross motor development by practicing walking every day. We celebrate every new step along the way big or small!

We look forward to another month filled with learning, exploration, and fun!

Ms. Anna and Mr. Jose

We hope everyone is having a good summer! Once it gets to be July, it feels like summer is already passing us by. So far this summer we have explored themes of Farm, Balls/Sports, and Going to the Beach. We worked on skills like imitating animal noises by doing farm songs and fingerplays, large motor skills of kicking, catching, and throwing balls by having many different balls to play with, and used our senses to explore sand and water. One thing we did that was surprisingly popular was using circular stencils while coloring. We taped the stencils onto pieces of paper and then the papers into a tray (or directly to the table). The children practiced gripping markers and making marks inside of the stencil shapes and we noticed many friends following the edge of shapes with their markers. If you are looking for a different way of coloring, try using stencils!

Little Librarians - Ms. Courtney and Ms. Alaini

Hello Little Librarian families! We hope you are all staying cool and enjoying your summer! It feels like this summer has just flown by! How is it August already?!

Our Little Librarians have been having so much fun! We started the summer program off by learning about the ocean. We then celebrated the Fourth of July by learning about the USA and all things red, white, and blue. We've made lots of yummy treats including cheesecake salad, beach sand cups, and ice cream floats. The kids really enjoy cooking activities and they obviously love to eat them, too! Some skills we continue to work on in our class are cleaning up after ourselves, eating at the table, and keeping our bodies to ourselves.

With it being so hot and sunny outside, please make sure your child has everything they need to keep them cool and safe in this weather, including a water bottle and sun hat. We have been enjoying lots of fun water play outside to help keep us cool.

If you have any questions and/or concerns, please reach out through the app. Also, a couple

reminders to please check your child's mailbox folder in their cubby and continue working on your summer reading bingos!

Time Travelers - Ms. Esther and Ms. Virginia

Summer is in full swing, and we are having fun! We really enjoyed going on the "bumpy" bus and the Foam Party. We have a few more field trips to enjoy. As for themes this summer, we are exploring the different farm animals and foods we see at the State Fair. During these themes we are working on lacing, matching 3-4 colors, and self-help skills. These activities can also be worked on at home. We look forward to enjoying lots of time outside and field trips this month.

Munchkin Land - Ms. Amy R. and Ms. Kim

Ding dong, the summer's here! The Munchkins have been having a great summer so far! They learned about summer cool treats and learned some Spanish from the book The Paletero Man! "Paletas for one! Paletas for all!". Your little munchkin did a great job scooping their own ice cream into little cones and eating mini mango popsicles! We then learned all about bugs/insects...spiders being our favorite! We will finish our summer with camping and State Fair! Any questions, please feel free to stop us or message us!

Very Hungry Learners - Ms. Abi and Ms. Lizzie

We have had an amazing summer filled with laughter, learning, and exciting adventures! Our three-year-olds have enjoyed going on so many fun field trips where we explored new places and made amazing memories! One of our favorite days at Grandmas House was our Foam Party, where everyone had a blast dancing, playing, and cooling off in the bubbles. We also spent time learning about the USA and celebrated the Fourth of July by talking about our country's flag, colors, and traditions. During our Camping theme, we used our imaginations to pretend we were on a camping adventure with tents, campfires, and woodland animals. We even went on a bear hunt... and we were not scared of AT ALL. It has been wonderful watching our Hungry Little Learners build curiosity, social skills and have fun with one another every day! We can't wait to see what next month brings us.

S'mores and Stories Squad - Ms. Nikki and Ms. Kayleigh

Greetings! This summer is flying by quickly. We've taken time to learn about oceans, colors, 2D shapes, and our country. Additionally, we've been practicing printing our names, as we ready ourselves for 4K/5K in Fall. Currently, we are learning about Pirates and being able to identify the physical parts of a book. Additionally, we are focusing on being able to identify and print numbers 1-10, as well as how to use a glue bottle appropriately. We've had fun with our artist studies this summer: Henri Matisse, colorful geometric collages and Piet Mondrian, lines, blocks of primary colors in abstract art. Check out our latest bulletin board at the top of the stairs! Those students who completed 4K last school year also continue to work on their reading skills, as we continue to work on sounding out words, beginning letter sounds, and sight words. We've enjoyed our field trips and water play on these hot days of summer.

Trailblazers - Ms. Emily

Time flies when you're having fun! And the Trailblazers are having a ton of fun this summer playing new games nearly every day. Some of the class favorites have been Sharks and Minnows during our Shark unit, and the Skittles game during our Kid Olympics unit. We learned about surface tension while playing Overflow head-to-head. Soon we will be exploring gravity and viscosity with an egg drop experiment and exploring the world by trying snacks from other countries and cultures. Be sure to keep on filling out those reading logs to earn tickets as our end of summer raffle drawing creeps closer by the day!

