

# AUGUST 2017

## LMP'S NEWSLETTER

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### GOODYBYE TO ALL OUR FAMILIES WHO WILL BE LEAVING US:

We want to wish all our families who are leaving all the best and will miss you all. It has been a pleasure and an honor to have had your child/ren at The Little Mud Puddles.



### FUN FRIDAYS PLANNED FOR AUGUST:

**August 4<sup>th</sup>** – Wear your favorite Costume Day! Keep in mind no weapons of any kind are allowed. Shoes must be worn.

**August 11<sup>th</sup>** – Bring your favorite Teddy Bear or stuffed animals to school day. We will also have a picnic outside.

**August 18<sup>th</sup>** - Summer carnival ! We will have a bouncy house, snow cones, & hot dogs!

**August 25<sup>th</sup>** - Wear something blue day!

### UPDATING PHONE NUMBERS:

Parents – Please update your phone numbers as soon as they change. There have been times we have tried calling parents only to find out their numbers are disconnected or the parent has left his/her job. You can change your phone number via Oncare and/or email us.

### WELCOME TO ALL NEW FAMILIES!

We would like to welcome all new families to our school. Please feel free to ask any questions to your child's teacher or the front office. We are here to help you feel comfortable. Here are few reminders:

- ☺ **All children must be in school by 9:00 a.m. Late fees begin at 9:11 a.m. Late fees again begin at 6:31 p.m.**
- ☺ **Please call or email us by 9:00 a.m. if your child is going to be out. Let us know a day in advance if your child needs to go to the doctor or dentist. If you do not give us day or so notice that your child must go to the doctor/dentist - a note from your doctor's office must be provided or you will be billed late fees. Children may not come to school after 12:00 noon. Plan your appointments accordingly.**
- ☺ **Don't forget to sign in/out everyday. It is a State Licensing and LMP requirement.**
- ☺ **Breakfast is from 8:00 a.m. to 8:25 a.m. If your child eats slowly please bring them in no later than 8:15 a.m.**
- ☺ **Please write your child's name on all checks. Also write your child's name on all clothing.**
- ☺ **We cannot allow outside food into the school due to other children's allergies. No water bottles allowed.**
- ☺ **Friday is share day – children may bring toys from home only on this day. Write your child's name on toys.**
- ☺ **Due to parking, we need parents to quickly give hugs and say their goodbyes. Prolonging goodbyes also makes it hard for the children not to mention parents.**
- ☺ **Sippy cups or water bottles are not allowed due to other children who may try to sip out of the same bottle or cups. We have water faucets in all the classrooms including outside, and in the Learning Center.**
- ☺ **Children may bring a lovey (stuffed animal or small doll) to sleep with at nap time. Sometimes this gives them comfort.**
- ☺ **Please don't be discouraged, some children take more time than others to adjust. They may cry on the way to school but most of the time they are fine when parents leave. We get them involved in different activities and they will have a fun filled day.**

**SCHOOL CLOSURE FOR LMP's 2017 HOLIDAYS/CONFERENCES:**

- Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup> – Closed for the New Year Holiday
- Jan. 16<sup>th</sup> – Closed for Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday
- Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> – Closed for Parent Teacher Conferences
- Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> – Closed for President's Day
- March 27<sup>th</sup> - Closed for First Aid/CPR Class
- April 14<sup>th</sup> – Closed for Good Friday
- May 29<sup>th</sup> – Closed for Memorial Day
- July 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> – Closed for Independence Day

**Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> – Closed for school clean up day, staff training.**

**Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> – Closed for Labor Day**

**Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> – Closed for Columbus Day**

**Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> – Closed for Veteran's Day**

**Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> – Closed for the Thanksgiving Day Holiday**

**Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> – Closed for the Holiday Season**

**January 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> – Closed for the New Year's Holiday**

**This list does not include all in-service days off for conferences. You will be notified in advance when these dates are chosen.**

**FOBS (KEYS):**

Please return the key fobs when your child leaves. You may leave them at the front desk.

**LETTERS OF THE MONTH:**

**W,N,P,E,K,Q**

We will be discussing camping, picnics, sand, water and mud and reviewing all our letters.

**AUGUST BIRTHDAY WISHES:**

**Elise He**

**Emma Silva**

**Jericho Herrera**

**Rebecca Yao**

**Miss Tanya**



**5 Things to Know About Play**

(From The National Association for the Education of Young Children)

- 1 Children learn through play.** Children learn and develop cognitive skills, physical abilities, new vocabulary, social skills and literacy skills.
- 2 Play is healthy.** Play helps children grow and counteracts obesity issues facing many children today.
- 3 Play reduces stress.** Play is joyful and provides an outlet for anxiety and stress.
- 4 Play is more than meets the eye.** Play is simple and complex. There are many types of play: symbolic, sociodramatic, functional, and games with rules—to name just a few.
- 5 Play and learning go hand-in hand.** They are not separate activities. They are intertwined. Think about them as a science lecture with a lab. Play is the child's lab.

**LITTLE MUD PUDDLE'S HOURS:  
7:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.**

If you are late picking up your child, 6:31 p.m. or later, you will be charged \$20 for every 15 minutes you are late. No exceptions!

Don't forget that your child *must* be in school by 9:00 a.m. This is for the consistency of your child's progress and out of courtesy for your child's teacher. If your child arrives at 9:11 a.m. or after, expect to pay a late fee of \$20 for every 15 minutes you are late.

Children are not allowed in school after 12:00 noon. Due to the fact that coming in late disrupts our program - there cannot be any exceptions.