

The Mission of Faith Child Care, Inc.: "to provide quality Christian child care for families of the Fox Valley community in a nurturing environment that fosters developmentally appropriate growth."

Notes from the Director ...

Thank you to the families who joined us in celebrating our Center's 21st anniversary last week. It was so nice to see all of you there. Thank you also to the Board of Directors for recognizing "Miss" Linda Rickert, "Miss" Dawn Dain and me as we celebrate our 20th anniversaries at FCC in the coming weeks. The past 20 years at Faith have been a wonderful journey for me, and I want to thank Linda and Dawn for all the love and dedication they have given to Faith in those 20 years.

It seems as if summer just began, but we are already looking ahead to the fall program which begins on August 30th. We ask God to be with Miss Stephanie as she travels to study in Australia and with "Miss" Leah as she begins her student teaching. We also hope that our school-aged children have a great year in school! It was nice to have all of you back with us for the summer.

I hope to have final classroom lists completed by August 9th, so please let me know as soon as possible if you anticipate any changes in your child's schedule. Be sure to check your parent pockets for any information on room or teacher changes for your child .

Enjoy the remaining weeks of summer as a family.

Blessings, Miss Sandy



AUGUST
2010



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5 "Miss" Joan D.'s birthday	6 "Miss" Sarah's birthday	7 Rummage and Bake Sale 8-3
8	9 Operation Outreach starts	10 Miss Mary Hull's 12th anniversary	11	12	13	14
15 "Miss" Karen's 16th anniversary	16	17 Staff Inservice at 5:45 pm	18	19 Staff Mystery Night	20 ****	21
22	23	24 Operation Outreach ends	25	26 Open House 6-7 pm "Miss" Joan D.'s birthday	27 Summer Program ends	28
29	30	31	****"Miss" and "Miss"	Rachel's birthday and Linda's 20th anniversary		

Greetings from the PAC, We hope everyone had a nice evening at our recent Faith family picnic. Even though we held it in Faith Lutheran's Fellowship Hall it was still an enjoyable time.

Our 6th Family Directory is in its final stages. A HUGE THANK YOU goes out to Barb Dvoracek for putting it all together for us! We hope to have it ready for you by the end of August.

The PAC has finalized plans for

Mystery Night and are in the midst of collecting donations. Our collection goal this year is \$600 to treat 25 staff to an evening of fun, food and fellowship. Thank you in advance for your donations to help to make this event possible for the staff.

They look forward to Mystery Night every year and are very appreciative to everyone who make this event possible. If you have any questions about Mystery Night, please contact one of the PAC members listed to the right. Their names and e-mail addresses are

listed in the 2009 Family Directory! We would like to thank Michelle Landsverk for all of her help in planning special events for the staff and families. She is leaving us since her daughter is moving on to Kindergarten. We appreciate everything you have done for us and wish you God's Blessings!

THE PAC members:

Jennifer Chan, Jennifer Dordel, Barb Dvoracek, Brenda Dvorak, Cassie Guilbeault, Becky Heller, Julia Middleton and Jana Schreiber

August Curriculum... The month of August brings many fun-filled activities having to do with water. Time will be spent talking about water, fish, ocean life, beaches, vacations and the zoo. The children will discover how many different stories in the Bible involve water and fish. They will talk about stories like Jonah and the whale, the great catch of fish, the feeding of the 5,000 and Jesus walking on water. With the warm August weather we usually have, the children will be busy swimming, running through the sprinkler, or playing with water in the sensory table. What fun!

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SUNBEAMS

“Be glad for all God is planning for you. Be patient...and prayerful always.” Romans 12:12

We hope you all have kept cool and are staying dry this month. Wow, what has mother nature been preparing us for?

All of the Sunbeams are either crawling, rolling or trying to move. No spot in the room has been left undiscovered. It is so much fun to watch them.

We say goodbye to Max and his family as he moves on to the Moonbeam room. We will miss you but know you will enjoy it.

We still get out when the weather is nice, but not too hot. Please keep hats here.

We hope you have been enjoying your summer so far. It certainly seems like it is flying by.

The Sunbeams,
“Miss” Linda, “Miss” Carol,
Miss Stephanie and Miss Lo

MOONBEAMS

“From this day on I will bless you.” Haggai 2:19

We have been quite busy in the Moonbeam Room. We played with flashlights in the room during space week. During the next week, we painted “campfires” and then followed dinosaur tracks all over our room the next week. Our favorite thing to do, though, is to play outside! We love the swings and going down the slides.

In August we will talk about fish, beaches, water and sea life. It sounds like a wet and fun month!

We warmly welcome Max and his family to our room. We can’t wait to watch you grow, Max!

God’s richest blessings to Henry and his family as they move to the Bumblebee room. We will miss you!

Enjoying the warmth of
God’s Son,
“Miss” Rachel and
Miss Mary Hull



BUMBLEBEES

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.” Romans 15:13

The Bumblebees would like to welcome Henry and his family to the room. We look forward to many great adventures. We wish good luck to Brendan and his family as he ventures off to the Caterpillar room. We will miss your smiles and laughter.

During 4th of July week we painted with star cookie cutters, did Q-tip painting, made flashy fireworks and painted with red and blue. We enjoyed marching with streamers, dancing and playing with inflatable stars. We liked reading “4th of July Mice” and singing “Yankee Doodle Dandy.”

The next week was parades. We listened to music, colored a flag, played and painted with instruments, and made tambourines. We paraded around the room and danced. In our sensory table we had red, white and blue crinkled paper.

During Space and Astronauts week we painted a rocket and the moon, and colored an astronaut. They loved playing with flashlights, shaker bottles and asteroids (balls). We tried doing the moonwalk and the spacewalk, and counted down to blastoff.

The following week, we did summer activities. We painted with a bucket. We enjoyed playing with bubbles and beach balls, taking towel rides and rowing in the big boat. The Bumblebees loved splashing in the water table outside.

The last week in July was camping week. We played with backpacks, binoculars, flashlights, and bears. We built a campfire with blocks, went on a bear hunt, made bear caves and played in a tent.

Please remember water shoes, swim diapers and swimsuits for next month—we have a lot of themes on water!

Until next month, Miss Joan L. and the Bumblebees

Help Wanted:

Our big play yard is in need of mulch under the climbing equipment. We are looking for several parents with pick-up trucks to haul shredded mulch from Van Zeeland's Nursery in Little Chute to our play yard. Please contact Sandy or Lori if you are willing to help us. Thanks!

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CATERPILLARS

"Praise the Lord! He is good. God's love never fails." Psalm 136:1
The Caterpillars are enjoying the summer. We all enjoyed our themes and had fun acting out the songs and fingerplays about water and fish. During the first week, we played with beach balls, flew streamers and blew bubbles in the play yard. We read the books, "Beach Day" and "Sea, Sand and Me" and sponge painted a whale and a sail boat.

The next week, we learned about space. We played with Velcro planets and cloth tunnels as spaceships. We sang "Tuning Up for Outer Space" and read the stories "Goodnight Moon" and "The Story of Creation." We fingerpainted with yellow and orange paint. Next, we had a great time with "Hawaiian Week." We danced the hula with hula skirts and also danced to beach music. During art, we painted a big whale and with seashells. We also colored a sailboat and glued colored sand on a starfish shape. We read the books "Boats" and "Water." We also listened to ocean music. Water with whales, fish, seashells and flowers were our favorite sensory activities.

Camping was our last theme in July. We glued confetti on a tent, painted with a marshmallow and built a campfire with blocks and played with green crinkle paper.

Next month we will be learning about zoo animals, sports, Jonah and the big fish and ocean life.

We welcome Brendan and his family to our room and say goodbye to Hazel as she moves to the Beaver room. Love, The Caterpillars

BEAVERS

We are certainly enjoying the Beaver room, even with all the rain. We were still able to get in most trips to the park each week and water play days in the play yard.

The children all enjoyed dressing like astronauts and climbing in the rocket ship, pretending to zoom into the sky. Camping outside was fun although it was quite humid; each child actually did sleep! The following week the children dressed up in a frog costume and had party blowers to use as a frog's tongue to "catch bugs," too cute! We all celebrated Faith Child Care's birthday with ice cream cones and a potluck at night. In August, we will learn about zoo animals and have a visitor, Mr. Shane. He will share some science information about mammals. The Beavers will practice packing for a vacation and walk outside to have a picnic lunch or snack outside. Then it's off to the ocean for fishing and sea animal matching games. Praise God for all the great activities and fun we are able to have here at Faith Child Care and for His Word, the Bible, that has such great and wonderful stories to read with the children as we share God's power and love with them.

Have a great month,
Miss Mary Heil and "Miss" Lana

WILLOWS

We exploded into July. We made pretend fireworks and watched them fly up. We talked about things we can see in the sky. We made puffy clouds and shining stars. We played with "moon" rocks, planes and lacing stars. We also did an experiment to see how rockets can take off.

Next, we talked about all of the things we like to do in summer. We played kickball, baseball, ran through the sprinkler and visited Erb Park. We also had fun playing in the sandbox, pretending we were camping and making S'mores.

During our next theme, we took a jeep ride through the savannah. We painted with mud, played in the water with crocodiles, found animals in the grass and made a giraffe.

The last week, we took a walk through the forest looking for animals. We found a hungry bear, built a beaver dam, put animal puzzles together and listened for animal sounds.

Next month, Mr. Shane will be visiting to talk to us about mammals. We will also learn about fairy tales, nursery rhymes, water and the desert. Happy August, Miss Debby and "Miss" Joan

**PLEASE NOTE:
FAITH CHILD CARE WILL
BE CLOSED ON MONDAY,
SEPTEMBER 6TH FOR
LABOR DAY.**

The regular fees still apply
Enjoy your family time
together!

OPERATION OUTREACH IN AUGUST

The Grizzlies, Little Grizzlies and Eagles invite families and staff to participate in helping them with their August service project. We are collecting non-perishables for the less fortunate in our community through Tuesday, August 24th. Please place your items in the plastic box in the front entrance!

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EAGLES

"I have no greater joy than to hear my children walk in truth. 3 John 1:4

Greetings from the Eagle room. Our second month of summer was filled with story time at the Appleton Public Library. We loved listening to stories and singing songs. We even learned some sign language.

We only found a few bugs on our bug hunt at Memorial Park. We loved searching for colored ladybugs and grasshoppers around our Eagle room.

At Riverside Florists, we learned how to create a basket full of indoor plants. At Peabody Park, we loved playing on the teeter totters and sliding down the fireman's pole.

Our next trip was to the pet store. We pet rabbits, guinea pigs and a ferret. There was also a very loud parrot there.

We loved going swimming at Erb Pool with it was not raining. Our last trip of the month was to Franklin School to play on the playground. We love playing hide and seek there. They all hide in the tunnels and then I can't find them!

Thank you for donating pet supplies for our service project. We collected 7 items. This month we are collecting non-perishables for the Salvation Army.

Have a great month, "Miss" Tammy

LITTLE GRIZZLIES

July was extremely busy for the Little Grizzlies but we enjoyed every minute. Our favorite field trips included bowling, touring Culver's and attending the Timber Rattler game. We also enjoyed playing at the playgrounds at City Park, Memorial Park and Franklin School. When we're not on the go we enjoy making goodies to eat, creating with iron beads, and playing in housekeeping with our friends. Whenever we can we try to get outside to enjoy the weather and go swimming. It's been a good summer so far! Can't wait to see what August holds for us.

"Miss" Mandy, Miss Brianna and the Little Grizzlies

GRIZZLIES

The Grizzlies have had a fun-filled July. We began the month with trips to Mead Pool, a Timber Rattler game and a tour at Pizza Hut. Throughout the month, we have gone to the library and Erb Pool. We have also practiced our baking skills in baking club. Thank you to all that purchased goods at our bake sales. We will use the money we raised, \$80.75 to buy school supplies for less fortunate children. We wrapped up July with swimming lessons and field trips to Super Bowl and Tom's Drive In for snack. Overall, we have stayed busy and had lots of fun in July!

Stay cool! "Miss" Karen and "Miss" Leah