Grace Lutheran Preschool & Kindergarten Newsletter June 2019

May & June HIGHLIGHTS

It's hard to believe that the 2018-2019 school year has come to a close. We have had a wonderful year. The children have grown and developed before our eyes. We would like to thank many people for a successful school year. We very much appreciate the support provided to us by the pastors, sextons and church office staff. Thank you to all the families and parent volunteers for helping with the school and staff events held throughout the year. Thank you to our classroom grandparents; the children enjoyed the stories and help you provided to them. Finally, thank you for allowing us to nurture and love your children.

The months of May and early June were very busy. In addition to each class's normal routine, we held many events. We celebrated motherhood with Moms are Magnificent Week which included a Saturday morning breakfast in Harkins Hall. We celebrated Teacher Appreciation Week with a fantastic luncheon (Thank you parent volunteers). On May 7th & 8th, we held our Young Author and Artist Show in the Miller Center "Gallery" and our annual spring Scholastic Book Fair. We ended the year with our annual Silent Auction and "Busytown Days". Finally, many of the classes have been growing and nurturing various types of plants and creatures for their science unit. The children have been very excited to release butterflies on the school grounds.

During our final week of school, the Kindergarten class will be attending their graduation ceremony from Grace Lutheran Preschool & Kindergarten.

We wish you all a wonderful summer full of fun and safe travels.

Singing at the Moms Are Magnificent breakfast.

Mrs. Wylie's class wrote about their magnificent moms.

Reading at Young Author and Artist Day.

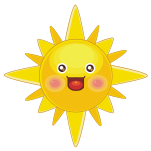
For our science theme on plants, the kindergarten class walked around the church grounds and chose a flower to photograph and sketch. Back at school they researched their flower and painted a Georgia O'Keefe style painting.

Mark Your Calendars!

June 6 – Last day of school for TR classe

June 7 – Last day of school for MWF classes & M-F classes
Kindergarten graduation

HAVE A SAFE AND FUN SUMMER!!



June Theme

June Christian Focus: "God Be With You" Joshua 1:9 God is with you wherever you go.

Congratulations to our Kindergarten Graduates!

May God be with you at your new school.

Izabella Barr
Richard Baysinger
Liam Craft
Eliana Hall
Mya Hockenberry
Olivia Houseknect
Calleigh Igoe
Natalie Jeanmenne
Maz Kochendarfer
Connor Wagner

2019-2020 GLPK and Canvas Bags and Backpacks

Parents,

Please note, if your child is going to a 3- or 4-year-old class, they should bring back their canvas bag to use next year. Kindergarten and Jr. K prefer the children use their own backpacks.

Openings for the 2019-2020 School Year

We are currently accepting registrations for the new school year. We offer small structured classes, flexible options and a caring Christian environment to help children to reach their full potential.

- Half-day kindergarten licensed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 2, 3, and 5-day morning classes for children aged 2y 7m, 3, 4 and Junior Kindergarten
- Afternoon enrichment classes (home-packed lunch, monthly theme, experiential classes) as an add-on
- Morning, afternoon, and full-day programs

Please contact us to request a classroom visit or for more information.

E-Mail: glpk@glcpa.org Phone: 814-238-8110
Web: www.glcpapreschool.org

Summer Office Hours

June 10—12, 2019, 9am to noon or by Appointment. (Closed Jun 13 & 14)
June 17—July 2019, TWR — 10am to 1pm or by appointment. (Closed July 4)
August 1-22, TWR — 10am to 1pm or by appointment. (Closed Aug 23)
August 26 through the school year — 9am to 2:30pm or by appointment.

Thank you to everyone for volunteering your time and talent and for your monetary donations throughout the school year. We would never be able to provide tuition assistance or to purchase large unbudgeted items to benefit all students. This year we purchased two new computers.

Spring Pictures Fundraiser

Heidi Lynne Photography earned our general fundraising program over $876.30. The photos were unique and beautiful and will surely be treasured for a lifetime.

Box Tops for Education Our total Box Tops submission for this school year was $397.40. Please keep saving them all summer long.

Scholastic Book Fair The book fair was very successful with total sales of $929.95. We earned 528.99 Scholastic dollars. These "dollars" are used for prizes for raffle winners, to purchase books from teachers' wish lists and items such as the rug in the school office, posters, puppets, and various curriculum materials.

Marianna's Fundraiser

The Spring Hoagie and Pizza fundraiser was another great success for our general school and scholarship funds. Not only did those who purchased the sandwiches and pizza not have to cook that night; they helped our school raise $843.

Silent Auction Our ninth silent auction, which helps provide tuition assistance for qualifying families and also benefits our students, raised more than $4400. Thanks to everyone who supported it and to those who made an extra donation for a worthwhile cause!

2019-2020 School Year

The required paperwork for the 2019-2020 school year went out in weekend folders in mid May. The deadline for returning these forms is **June 28, 2019**. In July, you will receive information regarding tuition for the new school year. Look for an email in late August inviting you and your child to stop by to see their new classroom and meet their teachers the week before school begins. As a reminder, if you have moved since registration in February, please contact the school office with your new address.

We are looking forward to seeing our returning **preschool and Jr. Kindergarten** students on September 3, 2019 for the T/Th and M-F students, and September 4, 2019 for the MWF students. **Kindergarten** students begin school on Wednesday, August 28th. For those of you not returning to our school, may God's blessings be with you.

Part-time preschool positions for 2019-2020

Grace Lutheran Preschool and Kindergarten is searching for a music teacher/specialist for the 2019-2020 school year. Music teachers/specialists require general music skills and experience working with young children. All positions start in late August. Send cover letter and resume to Cathy Smarkusky, GLPK Director, at csmarkusky@glcpa.org.

A Look Back

Here's a look at a few things we learned, played, pretended, enjoyed….

Busytown 2019

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Happy

Everyone!!