



**Wrightsville United Methodist Preschool News
April 30, 2017**

Please Mark Your Calendars for These Important Dates:

May 1		All Tuition Payments Due
May 2	Tuesday	Picture Orders Due. If you have not ordered your child's pictures online and plan to turn in the order at school, please note the date.
May 3	Wednesday	All Lunch Bunch Forms Due: Please note there are only three Lunch Bunch dates this month.
May 12	Friday	Teacher Work Day and OPTIONAL Parent/Teacher Conferences. Please see back for important details.
May 16	Tuesday	Beach Day- ALL CLASSES Please see mandatory attached form for details and <u>return no later than Thursday, May 11th.</u>
May 23	Tuesday	Last Day of School End of Year Celebration Program Covered Dish Luncheon (Details on back)
July 28	Friday	The Enrollment Packets for 2017-2018 along with a \$50 supply fee are due <u>no later than this date.</u> Packets will be mailed to your home address in early July.
Sept. 5	Tuesday	Open House for 2017-2018 School Year
Sept. 6	Wednesday	First Full Day for Students in the Four Year Old and the Four/Five Year Old Classes.
Sept. 7	Thursday	First Full Day for Three Year Old Classes

Teacher Workday and Optional Parent/Teacher Conferences

Spring Parent/Teacher Conference Day will be held on Friday, May 12th. Many of you already know your plans for the upcoming fall, so **we are making these conferences optional unless your child's teacher specifically asks you to schedule a time**. We love all of our preschoolers and will be happy to meet with any and all families to discuss the progress we have seen over the school year!

Beach Day- Tuesday, May 16th!

Don't forget! Beach Day will be held on Tuesday, May 16th from 9:15-12:15. We will gather one mile north of Johnnie Mercer's Pier (on the south side of Duneridge Condominiums-L shaped parking lot). Public parking, bathrooms and beach access are available at this location. Please remember to bring money or debit card for parking. Snacks and drinks will be provided by the preschool. **We need to know who will be providing adult supervision for your child so please be sure you have turned in your form by Thursday, May 11th (extra forms are available on the bulletin board)**. With proper supervision, siblings are welcome. Remember to bring plenty of sunscreen! In the event of rain, we will meet at the preschool for a regular school day.

Year End Celebration Program and Covered Dish Luncheon:

Tuesday, May 23rd, will be our last day of school. An exciting day is planned. Our preschoolers will provide entertainment during an informal program in the Sanctuary at 11:00 am. They will share some of their favorite songs which they have learned throughout the year. This will be followed by a covered dish luncheon in the Fellowship Hall.

Teachers will post signup sheets for food. You will find these on top of the cubbies later this week. Please be sure to list the number of people from your family who are expecting to attend. We hope everyone will be able to come to this very special event! Grandparents are welcome too! If you sign up for the ham and turkey platter or the chicken nuggets you will be making a donation towards the cost of the platters and that money will be due no later than Thursday, May 18th. We will have committee or parent volunteers scheduled to pick these up. If you plan to have more than 4 people from your family attending our luncheon, please consider bringing an extra side dish so that there will be plenty for everyone.

Parental Involvement

To parents of children entering kindergarten, we encourage you to be active volunteers in your child's school. Room parents, field trip volunteers, tutors, PTA committee members, etc. are always needed. Your child will be thrilled that you are participating and it is a great way for you to get a really good picture of what is going on in your child's school.

2017-2018 Enrollment Packets and Start Up Dates

Children and parents attending W.U.M. Preschool in the Fall will be invited to an Open House on Tuesday, Sept 5th and our first full day of classes will be on Wednesday, Sept. 6th

for our Four and Five Year Old Classes and on Thursday, Sept. 7th for our Three Year Old Classes. In early July, you will receive an Enrollment Packet in the mail. To continue to guarantee your child's placement for next year, the forms in the packet along with a \$50 supply fee will need to be returned NO LATER THAN Friday, JULY 28th. **Don't forget to include an updated copy of your child's shot record.** If your address has changed or you will be out of town when packets are due, please let me know. **If your plans for the upcoming school year change, please be sure to contact me as soon as possible. I would greatly appreciate it! It is important that we stay fully enrolled. This keeps costs down for everyone.**

Announcing Staff Changes for the 2017-18 School Year

We will be saying goodbye to Mrs. Cara at the end of this school year. She will be going back to "full time mom" status as she keeps up with her two active boys and husband. We will miss Mrs. Cara's fun-loving personality. She has served us well !!

We are pleased to announce we have hired Emily Lackey (Jeanie and Abe's Mom) to be our new Teaching Assistant in Mrs. Manuela's class. Emily is married to Evans, is a mother of three, a talented artist, Sunday School Teacher at our church and has a background ranging from teaching college level English to heading up an "Authors and Illustrators" summer camp. We welcome Emily, we know she is going to make a great addition to our teaching team!!



To Leigh Lewis (Lanie's Mom) for visiting during Vv week with a volcano the the children enjoyed erupting with a little baking soda a vinegar. This is always are great activity, and fun to do at home on a rainy day! Give it a try!!!

To John Roser (Madison's Dad) for our special "Ww" week activity. He brought in lots of live wiggly squiggly worms for the kids to observe and enjoy for our "Ww" week activity. He also shared a couple of great wormy books so we could learn more about these helpful underground creatures!

To all the parents for being so wonderfully supportive of our program throughout the school year. Snacks, party supplies, Letter of the Week – We couldn't have done it without you!

NOURISH NC Reminder: We are partnering with our church to help make sure ALL children in our area have plenty of food to stay healthy and strong during the summer months. We will be collecting specific food items from now till the end of school.

Week of May 1st- 24 ounce Pasta sauce in cans (NO Glass)

Week of May 8th- 16-20 oz, Peanut Butter

Week of May 15th- 16-20 oz. Jelly

Week of May 22- 5 oz. canned chicken

It is hard to believe another school year is coming to an end.

We have enjoyed your children so very much!

Have a safe and happy summer!

With love and thanks,

Manuela and Cara, Johnna and Mandy,

Teresa and Megan, Shannon and Ruth



PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM BY MAY 11TH



TUESDAY, MAY 16TH IS BEACH DAY!

We are planning a school wide Beach Day for Tuesday, May 16th from 9:15-12:15. Over the past years, this event has been a tremendous success and we're really looking forward to it again. We will gather one mile north of Johnnie Mercer's Pier (on the south side of Duneridge Condominiums - L shaped parking lot). Public parking, bathrooms and beach access are available at this location. **Don't forget to bring money for parking!** Refreshments will be provided by our preschool staff (fun and games provided by Mother Nature). **FOR THE FUN AND SAFETY OF OUR PRESCHOOLERS, EACH CHILD MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A RESPONSIBLE ADULT OTHER THAN OUR STAFF.** With proper supervision, siblings are welcome to attend! **Bring plenty of sunscreen!**

To help us plan for this special event please **fill out form below, detach and place in tuition mailbox.**

Child's name _____

(Please check one)

Yes. My child will attend Beach Day and will be supervised by: _____

No. My child will be unable to attend beach day.

Number of siblings attending _____

By signing below, I understand that the supervising person listed above will be totally responsible for my child(ren)'s safety and welfare during this Beach Day event.

Parent Signature _____

Date _____

Please be sure to turn in this form on time – Wed. May 3

Thursday Lunch Bunch

Child's Name _____

Please check the days your child will be staying for Thursday Lunch Bunch this month:

May 4 _____

May 11 _____

May 18 _____

Number of Lunch bunch days _____ X \$5.00 = _____

Please turn this form in no later than Wednesday, May 3 and add total to your tuition check for May. Reminder: 3 day a week tuition is \$180.00/month and 4 day is \$200.00/month.

Thank you,

Ruth

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Vacation Bible School

Registration is underway for...
Vacation Bible School: Hero Central!
June 12 - 15 from 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
\$20.00 per child

Hero Central is not possible without wonderful volunteers. If you want to have a fun week hanging out with kids and help them grow in their relationship with Jesus and others, then please contact **Nicole Roche: nicole@wrightsvilleumc.org** to help figure out where you can volunteer. Perhaps you can volunteer all week, or a couple of days, or just one day...whatever God is calling you to do. We are excited to welcome you to our VBS team!