



MARCH 2018

KID'S HAVEN CHILD CARE AND PRESCHOOL

Special Events

Infants

3/19: Please bring in a box of any size to share for building with this week

3/16: Wear your St. Patty's gear to Kid's Haven

Toddlers

3/19: Please bring in any large, empty boxes for your child's classroom

3/16: Wear your St. Patty's gear to Kid's Haven

Preschool & S.A.

3/16: We are inviting a family member into the classroom to have a special snack to celebrate the end of our study

3/19: Please bring in any large, empty boxes for your child's classroom

3/20: Grandparent's Day Lunch- We are inviting grandparents in to have lunch with their grandchild at 11:00am- sign up in your child's classroom

3/30: We are inviting a family member who has a special box to share it with the class (ex. tackle box, sewing box, etc)

A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Hello Families,

I hope you are all enjoying your winter...I want to let all of you know Kid's Haven has never closed or changed their hours due to the weather. We want you to be able to rely on us in any condition. So know when there are school closings we will still resume with our normal hours. Hopefully, we won't have to worry about this for long and Spring will be here to stay!

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to be a part of your child's life!!

Sincerely,

Missy Sjolin -Director

SCHOOL-AGE SUMMER PROGRAM

We are in the works in making our school-age summer program fun filled. Some things that are locked in at this point are field trips to MN Twins game, Crayola Experience at MOA, MN Zoo, bowling, Old Log Theater and much more to come. There will be a field trip scheduled once a week. We are going to have another play this year hosted by our Music Teacher Pam. She will have a drama class throughout the summer to teach the children about some drama techniques and end the summer with a play to perform. Some extra curricular classes that will be offered are card making, computer, music, arts and crafts, and sign language. Lastly, we will keep Tuesdays our park days. We will all walk over to the park to have a picnic and fun.

If your child will be entering Kindergarten fall of 2018, your child will be running with the school-age program this summer.

CREATIVE CURRICULUM

We will be wrapping up the study of recycle, reduce, reuse, during the middle of this month and starting our box study. We would appreciate your help to get our study going. If you can, we'd love your help in gathering boxes to investigate. We'll need many different types of boxes- boxes of all shapes, sizes, and materials. If you have books or pictures related to boxes, we'd love to borrow those too. Below is a list of suggested items, feel free to send other items that you think may add to our exploration. Please label items with your name so we can return them to you at the end of our study. We promise to take good care of them. Also, please let us know if someone in your family works with boxes and you would like to share your expertise with the class. We would love to arrange a time for you to join us in our investigations.

Items we are collecting...food boxes, wooden boxes, plastic boxes, music boxes, round boxes, tissue boxes, file boxes, lunch boxes, mailboxes, flower boxes, toolboxes, tackle boxes, moving boxes, pictures of boxes on conveyer belts, container boxes being loaded onto trains or trucks.

As we study boxes we will learn concepts and skills related to literacy, math, science, social studies, the arts, and technology. We'll also develop thinking skills as we observe, investigate, ask questions, solve problems, make predictions, and test our ideas.

What you can do at home: Explore a variety of boxes with your child and talk about each box's characteristics. How many sides does it have? Provide empty boxes of different sizes and help your child transform them into different things. Your child's imagination will lead the way. Invent games to play with boxes. Stack them. Take them apart and rebuild them.

While you are out in the community with your child, point out different boxes you see. Count them and describe them. Look for the biggest box and the smallest box. Hunt for the most interesting box you've ever see. Thank you for playing an important role in our learning.