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News from the Infant and Toddler Room

I can hardly believe it is AUGUST already!! That means Fall is on the way and then winter just around the corner... HA HA! Ok, I won't rush things. Let's be present and enjoy the time we have now in the moment. I want to say thank you parents for sharing your children with me. Thank you for allowing me to spend time and hang out with them. I value each child who is in my care and even though they won't remember me when they are older it makes me very happy to be a part of their early foundation in life. This month we will play in water, sand and perhaps also bird seed... not all at the same time of course!! We will use our small motor skills, and hand eye coordination to dump and pour these items in to cups, bowls and funnels. We will sing, play, slide, dance and jump all around. We will have a SUPER DUPER fun time!!!

-Angela Bunker, Infant Toddler Teacher

News from the Preschool Room

Happy August! We have been having a blast in preschool! The kids have been learning and getting hands on exposure with many fruits and vegetables. On Thursdays, we are still in the garden learning to care for and grow our very own vegetables and flowers. Come check it out and get your hands dirty! This month, we are going to continue learning from our Grow It, Try It, Like It curriculum and get our bodies moving. We are, also, going to celebrate our preschoolers who are starting school in a few weeks and we are going to miss them so much! Let's make this month great and make some extra time to spend quality time together.

-Beth Corcoran, Preschool Teacher

NEWS FROM THE DIRECTOR >>>

AUGUST already!! Hope all are enjoying their summer!! We are very glad to be back at Family Growth Center. We are here providing respite childcare on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Morning session is 900AM-1130AM with drop off at 845AM and afternoon session is from 130PM-400PM with drop off at 115PM. Thursday is just morning session as we are at the garden on Thursday afternoons 2-4. Come and see how well your plants are growing!! Please remember to bring your child's current immunization record when you register for this year. In addition, we will also need their Health Appraisal within the first 30 days of starting back.

- Kathy Kelly, Director kathykelly@childandfamily.org or my cell #517 648-4245.

WHAT IS THE FAMILY GROWTH CENTER?

It is a place for children to enjoy FREE drop-in childcare for children 6 weeks through 5 years of age. A nominal fee is charged to higher income families. **Family Growth Center** is a program of **Child Abuse Prevention Services,** which is a division of **Child and Family Charities**.

For more information on childcare call (517) 371-1347.

DURING NON-FGC HOURS CALL (517) 371-1347 TO LEAVE A MESSAGE



Tuesday – Wednesday – Thursday 549 E Mt. Hope Lansing, MI. 48910 (Bethlehem Lutheran Church)

AUGUST 2021 Family Growth Center Calendar

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
FAMILY GROWTH CENTER CLASSROOMS Drop In: CLOSED Staff Training Drop In: 130pm – 400pm		FAMILY GROWTH CENTER CLASSROOMS Drop In: 900am – 1130am PRESCHOOL IN THE GARDEN 200P TO 400P *
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		*We are meeting off site at our Family Growth Center Garden Thursday afternoons – parents must stay with the children. Ask the staff for more information.

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5
Protein: Turkey	Protein: Cottage	Protein: Turkey	Protein: Turkey	
Hot Dog & Milk	Cheese & Milk	Deli Meat & Milk	Breakfast Sausage &	Protein: String Cheese & Milk
Fruit &	Fruit &	Fruit &	Milk	Fruit & Vegetable: Cantaloupe
Vegetable:	Vegetable:	Vegetable:	Fruit & Vegetable:	& Cucumber
Mandarin Oranges	Peaches & Red	Applesauce & Peas	Strawberries & Carrots	Grain: Whole Wheat Crackers
& Pickles	Peppers	Grain: Whole	Grain: Whole Wheat	
Grain: Whole	Grain: Whole	Wheat Bread	Cereal	
Wheat Hot Dog	Wheat Crackers			
Buns				