

2022



Park's Edge Preschool

Put a little PEP in your life!

A Letter from the Director...

Happy Birthday

Arthur B.	06/01/2018
Hudson S.	06/01/2014
Ivy B.	06/03/2018
Max H.	06/10/2015
Parker J.	06/12/2015
Peter G.	06/13/2019
Mae K.	06/13/2019
Ella M.	06/14/2010
Aydan L.	06/16/2018
Raul R.	06/19/2017
Clara S.	06/24/2014
Zoey P.	06/26/2020
Bodie C.	06/29/2017



Ms. Jenele 06/24/????

June 2022



Ms. Julie 06/25/15



Dear Park's Edge Preschool Families:

Can it really be June already?

The month of May flew by... with Parent-Teacher Conference Night and the following morning we welcomed and celebrated mothers and grandmothers by treating them to a Mother's Day Breakfast. The moms were also showered with cards and gifts to say, 'thank you mom'...and 'I love you mom!' Did you know that Park's Edge Preschool employs 15 moms...and one dad? **PEP fathers and grandfathers will be celebrated on Thursday, June 16, at PEP's Annual Father's Day Celebration. Please be sure to watch for an invitation with details in your family mailbox. Thank you to all of PEP's mothers and fathers!** Thursday, May 26, 2022, Park's Edge Preschool held the Annual PEP Preschool Graduation Ceremony for PEP's preschoolers graduating to 5-year-old kindergarten in the fall. Eighteen children proudly participated in the graduation ceremony, crossing over the bridge from preschool to kindergarten/elementary school. Thank you to Emanuel Church for the use of their beautiful sanctuary. After the ceremony, family, staff, and the preschool graduates were treated to 'Granny's Treats'. It's an old-fashioned ice cream truck with individually wrapped ice cream treats...a 'cool' celebration at PEP! Park's Edge Preschool is proud to provide the preschool graduates with tools, supported with Christian values, for life-long learning and loving. Congratulations to all 2022 graduates!

Park's Edge Preschool was excited to hold our bi-annual

Parent-Teacher Conferences on Thursday, May 6th, in person this year.

It is a privilege for PEP's teaching staff to meet with families to discuss your child's growth and development. The teaching staff enjoy sharing each child's portfolio with parents and the Portage Assessment Tool. The assessment tool is used to document each child's individual progress physically, mentally, socially, and emotionally. The portfolio is a wonderful lifetime keepsake for when the child leaves Park's Edge Preschool.

We were sad to hear of the school shooting in Texas and have since reviewed with our staff safety protocol and active shooter procedures.

Staff have been reminded of policies and procedures regarding security measures taken as a precaution to such a serious event. The staff have been instructed not to allow any strangers in the building and to report anything/anyone that is questionable. The police and fire department are aware of our building. We have an excellent rapport with both entities. PEP and Emanuel Church has worked extensively both departments on current safety and security protocol. PEP has had extensive training for an active shooter situation and regularly practice for lock down and reverse evacuations. 'Emergency preparedness' is required and reported to the state licensing department as well. In the event we would have to move to another location we will move the children to the health-wise building next door and notify parents asap for further instructions. Please let me know if you have any questions about PEP's safety protocol.

Another milestone...June 1st,

2022, is Park's Edge Preschool's 23rd Anniversary!

Thank you, to Emanuel Church members, for supporting quality, Christian, early childhood care and education, in Emanuel Church, Hales Corners. Park's Edge Preschool will be serving cupcakes to honor Emanuel Church's Heritage Days and in celebration of PEP's 23rd Anniversary on Sunday, June 5th during Fellowship Hour. You are invited to join us at 9:30am. Enjoy!!

We have a super summer planned and hope your family is looking forward to it as much as our staff is. We kick-off our summer program on Wednesday, June 15th, with the fabulous foam machine. We wrap up the month on Thursday, June 30th, with Park's Edge Preschool's Bike Blessing. Calling all wheeled toys, buggies, and wagons are invited in to be blessed...sorry no motorcycles! Our annual bike blessing encourages safe travels for our children this summer. What a great way to start summer safely at PEP...just in time for the July 4th Holiday celebrations.

I am excited that summer is almost here, and the days are getting longer already but sad to see the school year coming to an end. It is this time of year we say farewell to friends who withdraw for the summer with the hope we will reconnect with many of them again in the future. I hope you and your family is blessed with a safe, happy, and healthy summer.

Sincerely, Ellen M. Kvalheim



Love Bugs

Happy Summer! If you haven't looked at your child's extra clothes, please do so. We would like a sun hat, light weight jacket here for our walks. If your child is 6 months old or older P.E.P provides sunscreen, or you can if you wish just fill out a medical form. Pierce has mastered scooting around the room. Claire is grabbing at the toy bar. Lily has mastered sitting up by herself. Carter is working on

sitting up by himself with support. Ella is starting to scoot forward to the toys. Mathilda is taking steps. Henry G. has master rolling from back to stomach. Our Child of the Month Emily is getting up on all 4's, always has big smiles and likes to be silly and blow raspberries. We are proud of all of them. We hope everyone liked their Mother's Day presents we had so much fun making them with the

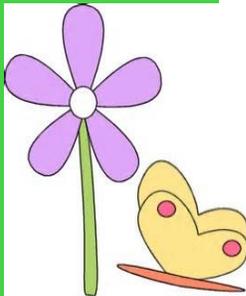
children. We are already hard at work making our Father's Day presents and can't wait to give them out.

Be on the look out for Father's Day sign up sheet for the fun celebration here at P.E.P. For June we would like to know "What is your family looking forward to doing this summer?" Have a great start to summer!

Ms. Nicole & Ms. Terri



Beautiful Butterflies



Time is flying by. Time to embrace a new season as summer is approaching. Our favorite activity from last month was enjoying coming together for Mother's Day breakfast. We enjoyed catching bubbles outside and exploring more things outside. We look forward to Father's Day afternoon adventures, summer activities and water play. Cannot wait.

All the children are growing

so fast. Our Child of the Month will be Henry. Henry just turned one at the end of May.

He says mama, dada, ball, likes to pull himself up holding the shelves. Henry claps and bounces to music. Walter talks in complete 2-to-3-word sentences, Leo looks at buses every morning and enjoys the playground, Lucas loves playing on playground, going on climber, Quinn claps, dances and can identify a lot

of body parts, Molly cleans the

classroom and puts toys away, Madison is crawling all around the room, and Kaia likes art time and says 'more' during meal time. We are proud of all of them. As a reminder, please continue to send proper summer clothing and swim diapers for water play days. Have a blessed June!

Ms. Julie & Ms. Autumn

Darling Dragonflies

Wow, we can't believe summer is already here!. All our Dragonflies are in for a fun treat this summer.

We will have an ice cream truck that comes every Thursday and we plan to have a lot of water days as well.

We learned so much in May. The children enjoyed learning about all things farm. We made a barn, read animal books and made all the animal sounds and movements.

We have a lot so any activities to look forward to this month.

We will be talking about the Bibe, dads, tools and robots!

We can't wait for our dad's to see their surprise this month.

Finn will be our Child of the Month. Finn loves to play with the big bus and fire trucks. He likes to build with the blocks, slide down the slide, listen to flannel board stories and loves when we

sing. We love looking at his pictures.

We will be sending home a tree for families to decorate and write your favorite family summer activity.

Please have a swim diaper and swimsuit here for the water days.

Watch for pictures! It will be an exciting time in our room filled with summer adventures.

Stay safe and Have Fun!
Ms. Jennifer & Ms. Emily H.



Busy Bees



Summer is coming in hot this year; we have had a great start of warmer weather this year! We have already had a few gorgeous days in the warmth.

Please check extra clothes bins for summer gear and take home any winter gear you may still have here. We will also be having water days soon on hotter days, so please bring a swimsuit, swim diaper and

towel for these fun days in the sun.

We enjoyed making our Mother's Day gifts and learning about farms and seeds. We have been working on cleaning up toys when they are spilled out. We are working on taking turns with our friends. We cannot wait to start to work on our Father's Day gifts and celebrate dads. We will learn about all the various

kinds of tools and favorite bible stories.

Our Child of the Month is Roman. Roman enjoys running outside, stomping like a dinosaur and being a helper. We look forward to seeing his pictures. We will be sending home a sun to decorate this month so we can create a summer gate. Have a great June!
Ms. Emily & The Busy Bees

Sunshine Room

We cannot believe that summer is finally here. Before we get too excited let's explore what we did in May. We learned about our amazing Mother's Day, farm life and everything that can grow and live there. We utilized the library more both for group time and for individual reading. We had the opportunity to ride bikes in the morning.

We are proud of the progress our Sunshine Friends are making with potty training. For June, our classroom is going to work on building their teamwork abilities. We will put this to great use with clean up, games and

activities throughout the summer,

The themes for the month of June include construction, our amazing dad's, robots and tool time. The team work skills will come in handy for robot week as we will work together to create a variety of robots using boxes.

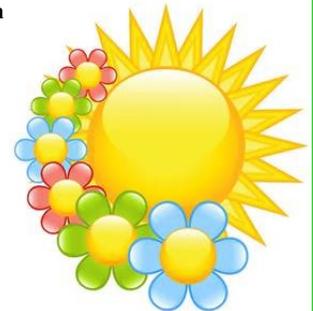
We have a lot of in-house field trips and water play days, please watch for details and information posted in the classroom and through the app. It would be helpful if the children could have a swimsuit and towel left here for impromptu swim

days, we would really appreciate it.

We will be sending home a white sun print to decorate and include your families favorite activities to do in the summer. We look forward to reading and seeing the sun designs from you all.

We look forward to all the phenomenal activities we will be doing for the month of June.

Ms. Julie A & Sunshine Friends



Fantastic Frogs



Summer is just around the corner, HOORAY! I hope everyone is enjoying the pre-summer weather. We have been spending a lot of time outdoors and enjoying it. We had a great month of learning this past month. During the week of tiny seeds produces a mighty harvest, we learned about various kinds of seeds, how they grow and reproduce on good soil. We read the parable that Jesus talked about the seed and Sower in Matthew 13:3. The seed falling on good soil refers to someone

who listens to God word and obeys it, will produce a plentiful harvest in their lives. Everyday we talk about how important it is to be kind, loving and gentle towards to each other. We learned about the different kinds of fruits of vegetables that grow under the ground and on the trees.

This month our themes will include 'A Journey through the Bible,' 'Dad My Superhero,' 'Tool Time,' and 'All Geared Up for Summer.' We are looking

forward to celebrating all the amazing Dads. The children will be working hard to make extraordinary gifts for Dad. We will be learning some of the children's favorite Bible stories, such as Jonah and the Great Fish and Noah's Ark. We will kick off this summer with plenty of summer fun outdoors and remind you to bring a swimsuit towel for their cubbies For June we would also like if the children could bring in a bible so see the diverse types there are.

Have a Blessed June,

Ms. Sandra & Ms. Mariah

Fantastic Frog Friends



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Summertime is here! The best time of the year. We have amazing field trips, and we get to ride on the BUS! Wooahoo!

We get to spend a lot of time outside, in the beautiful weather, with that said we recommend bringing a water bottle (labeled) for the week and take it home on Friday's when you take home your child's blanket. We also would like to see a sweatshirt here for those chilly mornings.

We celebrated our Preschool Graduation on May 26th for all our friends going into 5K, we are so proud of all of you! We hope everyone enjoyed the ceremony. Seeing how much these children have grown is a wonderful feeling.

For the summer you will see our 'Family Engagement' activities on our lesson plans posted both in the classroom and at the landing. As we move forward through summer, please restock clothing and add a swimsuit and towel to your child's cubby. Be sure to check in throughout the summer to be sure that all field trip forms are filled out.

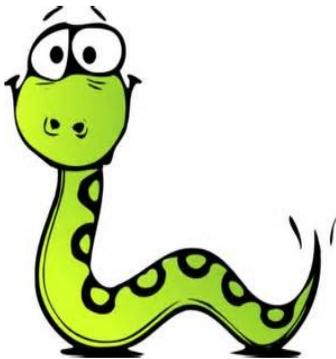
We wish you a great, safe and fun summer!

Ms. Melinda & Ms. Jacinda
Shining Stars

Policy Reminder:

Due to the safety concern for all involved, flip flops are NOT allowed at Park's Edge Preschool. We require sandals with straps around the ankle or tennis shoes.

Please make sure to bring in a labeled swim suit (or swimming diaper) and towel for your child to leave here throughout the summer. This will allow us to take advantage of hot days with water play.



Slithering Snakes

Why did the cow go to the movie theater?
He wanted to see a "MOOvie!" -Aaron

Knock, Knock!
Who's There?
Doctor.
Doctor who?
You saw that show too?
- Henry

Now those are funny!
Can you believe we are finally here? Summer vacation, here we come. We will be kicking the summer off right with foam machine and park field trips. We are also looking forward to exploring all

the different parks all around here.

The parks are sure to offer new experiences for us all.

As we do every summer, we ask that you please make sure all paperwork is turned in. We also appreciate that you check in daily with teachers to fill out all appropriate field trip forms. Lastly, we will be taking advantage of those hot days so please try to make sure your child has an extra swimsuit and towel that's kept here in their locker. We have a lot of new and exciting activities planned along

with our classics this year. This is shaping up to be one incredible summer. We hope you are as excited as we are.

We are ready to get this adventure going!

Have a great June.

Ms. Jenele & Mr. Cody
&
The
Slithering Snakes

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Important Dates:

Thursday, June 9th– Whitnall Last Day of School– 1/2 day of school—No K4

**Sunday, June 12th– Park’s Edge Celebrates Anniversary—Emanuel Church Service
9:00 a.m.**

**Wednesday, June 15th– Foam Machine– Downstairs Classrooms– Swim Suits and Towels
Needed**

Thursday, June 16th– Father’s Day Surprises—P.E.P celebrates Dad’s 4:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, June 21st– Kulwicky Park—Stars, 8:30 a.m.—Snakes 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday, June 29th– Konkell Park– Stars, 8:30 a.m.—Snakes 11:30 a.m.

Thursday, June 30th – Bike Blessing– All Classrooms bring in Bikes and Helmets—10:00 a.m.

Monday, July 4th– Park’s Edge Preschool Closed—Regular tuition applies

The Scholastic logo features a small red book icon to the left of the word "SCHOLASTIC" in white, uppercase letters.

Thank you to all the families that ordered Scholastic books for the month of May. Your orders help us continue to add to our wonderful library collection.

Just because the book orders will stop for summer, it doesn’t mean the reading has to! Make sure to take advantage of the beautiful weather and read outside!

Thank You,

Ms. Sandra

NAC Nook

Park's Edge Preschool's Workplace Culture Roll-out continues with PEP staff articulating the '5 Core Values' at Park's Edge Preschool's most recent staff meeting.

Here's a sampling of each core value:

1. **Children First**--Keep children safe, clean, fed, changed, and engaged with child-initiated activities.
2. **Professionalism**--Be respectful of children, families, co-workers, and yourself.
3. **Teamwork**--Staff role model to the children teamwork by working together to get the job done.
4. **Positivity**--Try to keep a Positive Mental Attitude (PMA) while working with adults and children.
5. **Commitment**--Be excited to be here! Throughout the year the staff will be engaged in different activities reinforcing PEP's 5 core values. Stay tuned...

A Pastor's Note



God who holds us all:

I write this prayer on Tuesday, May 24, a night when so many of Uvalde's children will never come home. They did nothing to deserve this. Their families will carry this horror for the rest of their lives. And all I can do is pray.

It's been so long, God, that we keep shaking our heads, and walking away. How will you judge us for allowing this?

I pray--we all pray--for the precious children at Park's Edge Preschool, and all the schools that surround us. They have no defense except what we provide; we know that our Preschool does all it can. Our children are deeply loved here.

But we pray: forgive our inaction, and our great capacity to forget. May we love our children enough to push back against the darkness, and not surrender to it.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Amen

Sincerely,
Pastor Dale Stohre

Themes w/ Christian Sub Themes

5/30-6/3: If You Give a Child a Crayon
Luke 1:37 "For nothing will be impossible with God"

6/6-6/10: A Journey through the Bible
-Favorite Bible Stories

6/13-6/17: Dad a Superhero in Disguise
Story about a father and two sons (Luke 15:11-32)
Prayer: Dear Father God, thank you for loving me so much
Jesus is father to fatherless

6/20-6/24: What Time is It? – Tool Time
- 2 Chronicles 2:5 The house which I am about to build will be great, for greater is our God than all the gods.

6/27-7/1: All Geared Up for Summer
Mark 9:23 And Jesus said to him, "If you can't! All things are possible for one who believes."

**HAPPY
FATHER'S DAY**

