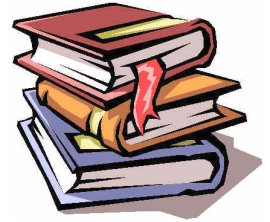


Cathedral House Monthly News



September 2011

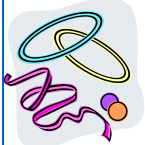


Important Dates

2011—2012 Theme



Monday, September 5th -
School closed in observance of Labor Day



Monday, Sept. 12th, 19th & 26th
Developmental Gymnastics (MII & TI)



Monday, Sept. 12th, 19th & 26th-
Music - TII, PI, PII, K



Tuesday, Sept. 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th -
Mouse Club (TII, PI, PII, K)



Wednesday, Sept. 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th
Chinese - (PI, PII & K)



Thursday, Sept. 8th, & 22nd -
Arts Alive - Offered to all classes



Thursday, Sept., 1st, 8th, 15th, 22rd & 29th
Jumpbunch - PI, PII, K



Friday, Sept. 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th -
Dance - (TII, PI, PII & K)

The theme for the 2011-2012 school year is 'The Character in My Book.' Each month we will go over different character traits that are important to have such as compassion, honesty, cooperation, etc. Look for new books, songs and lessons surrounding this new theme! September will talk about friendship and what it means to be a good friend. What a great topic to discuss with our children who will take the lessons to heart!

Friendly Reminders

- Sign-ups for the extracurricular activities are located at the front desk. If you choose to register for any activities online, please notify the front desk.
- Please make sure your child's files are current with up-to-date information on immunization, contact numbers, email addresses and home addresses.

Administrative News



Extracurricular Activity Schedules

Developmental Gymnastics

- Offered to MII and TI
- \$50 per month plus \$30.00 annual registration fee
- Every Monday morning beginning August 22th

Chapel

- Offered to PI, PII, K
- No fee
- Every Wednesday afternoon beginning Sept. 14th

Music

- Offered to TII, PI, PII, K
- \$171.00 for Fall Session
\$342.00 for Fall and Spring Sessions
- Every Monday morning beginning August 22th

Arts Alive

- Offered to all classes
- Every 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month

Jump Bunch

- Offered to PI, PII, K
- \$25.00 monthly activity fee
- Every Thursday morning

Mouse Club

- Offered to TII, PI, PII, K
- \$35.00 monthly (no registration fee)
- Every Tuesday afternoon

Dance

- Offered to TII, PI, PII, K
- \$140.00 per semester plus an annual \$35.00 registration fee
- Every Friday morning beginning Sept. 9th

Chinese

- Offered to TI, TII, PI, PII, K
- \$50.00 monthly or \$180.00 for Fall Semester
- Every Wednesday afternoon beginning Sept. 7th

SCHOOL CLOSED!

CHES will be closed on Monday, Sept. 5th in observance of the Labor Day holiday.



Spanish News

Spanish will resume September 6th. Ms. Patricia will continue teaching Spanish classes to Movement I through Kindergarten. She will also be going to the classrooms to help reinforce the week's lessons. This is a great added benefit to all these classes and will help them practice the lessons and vocabulary given to them earlier in the week. Please see the 'Spanish Corner' section of every monthly newsletter to see the curriculum for the month. If you have any questions about the Spanish curriculum, please see Ms. Patricia in Toddler I.



Nursery I

This month, Nursery I welcomed Charlie to the class. She has fit in perfectly and feels comfortable in her new surroundings. We are so happy to have her!

This month was lots of fun as we explored the theme “Diving Deep in the Ocean Blue.” Did you see our class in their scuba gear on the door? Can you guess who is who?

Our class has been reading lots of books such as “Baby’s First Colors,” “Baby’s First Shapes,” “Alphabet” and “Peek-a-Boo Kisses.” These books are wonderful because they have large pictures that really capture the attention of our little ones.

Some songs we have been singing are “The Good Morning Song,” “Itsy Bitsy Spider,” and “Clap Your Hands.” We sing our own made up songs, too! Can’t wait until next month!



Nursery II

Nursery II had a wonderful month of August. One way to work on our language skills is through song. Some new songs we learned this month are “I’m a Little Fishy” and “Down by the Shore.”

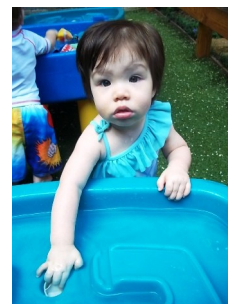
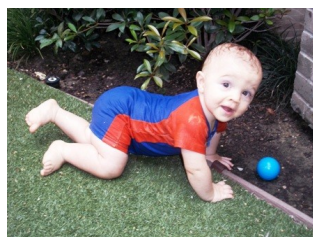
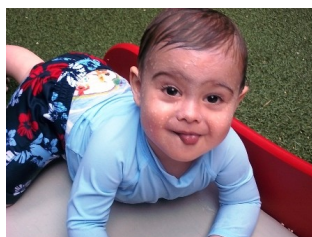
Another wonderful way to work on language is reading books. The books that we read this month are “Who’s in the Ocean” and “Rainbow Fish.” Although we can’t verbalize as well as we would like, reading and singing songs helps us understand the language better and sometime certain words stick out and we can repeat them.

Even though language is an important part of our curriculum, so is our gross and fine motor movement. Gross motor movement is achieved through all the equipment in our classroom. We are encouraged to crawl, roll and walk all day. One way we worked on our fine motor skills is through finger painting. Since our theme for the month is Deep Sea Diving, we finger painted some gold fish.

What a wonderful way to end the Sailing over the Ocean Blue theme for the summer. Can’t wait until the Fall!

Movement I

Splashing was something we all liked to do, although some liked it more than others, hard to believe but true. Lakshmi preferred carrying around her purse and staying dry...we said goodbye to Stephen, our sweet little guy. Ollie moved across the hall to M2 and we welcomed our friend George and Aislinn too...We have LOTS of fun and learning in store...to see what we’re doing just open our door!



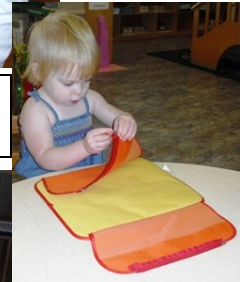
Movement II

This month we worked on lots of under the sea projects to go along with the August theme of Deep Sea Diving. We did some new artwork this month. Did you see our fish art work projects displayed for everyone to see on our door? Speaking of fish, we also went fishing out in the playground. It was so much fun! The theme of this month was work, work, work! We have new puzzles on our shelves and we have all had a turn using it! The new lessons for the month included cutting, dressing frames and color matching. These lessons are wonderful ways to work on our fine motor skills. Also, they are fun to work with which encourages us to repeat until the skill is perfected! The theme for the year is 'The Character in my Story.' Can't wait to see what new activities we have around this theme!



Puzzles

Dressing Frames



Cutting Fruit

Toddler I

We kicked off the month with a special Aquarium family project of our own. The parents and students did a great job decorating shoe boxes into aquariums. These aquariums were displayed in the hallway and received many ooh's and aahhh's! Our special treat included ice cream, cupcakes and a special fish & pez pinata. Hopefully, this is a fun way to get the whole family involved! This month was also important in the realm of art as we worked on different sea crafts. These pieces of art have been displayed throughout the classroom. Don't they turn our classroom into a deep sea scene? Our class also worked on gross motor skills as we played balancing games to work on this skill. We also practiced our number recognition through several fun games. What a great way to end the summer!



Aquariums

Fish Pinata



Deep Sea Artwork

Toddler II

Over in the ocean in the green and the blue.... The month of August started off with a song as we read the book "Over the Ocean" and we kicked off the start of Diving Deep in the Ocean. We visited the dark depths and saw angler fish, eels and many other strange, yet interesting deep sea dwellers. As we came closer to the surface, we studied starfish and found out that we're not actually fish, but sea stars and the children were quite fascinated by the fact that sea stars have an eye on each of their five fingers. We then explored the world of the dolphin and since many of our students had been to Sea World over the summer, studying dolphins was a big hit. During Shark Week, we pretended to be predators and found out that sharks have over 4,000 teeth in their lifetime. We also found that sharks are carnivores and they feed on fish, seals, seagulls and dolphins. The children did not like the idea at all, especially after bonding with the frisky jumping mammals the week before and casted the sharks as 'bad guys.' The month of September is quickly approaching and we look forward to a great new school year with lots of new ideas to share.

Primary I



We have done lots of exploring under the sea. We discovered there are many amazing creatures living under the sea. Some of the creatures work together as partners to keep safe while others have different ways to keep safe.

We learned that some mammals live under the sea, but come up for air like the whales and dolphins. One of our favorite sea creatures we encountered was the jelly fish. Jelly fish have no bones because it is an invertebrate. We also enjoyed watching it float.

We had a great time in our underwater adventure, but are excited for the adventures that await us on land.

Primary II

We truly enjoyed our summer even though we've had to say good-bye to friends leaving CHES who made our class so special. Also, to those who are moving up to our Kindergarten class.

We look forward to a great start to the beginning of a new school year!



Here Amelia is busy counting the beads she will need to make her friendship pin.



We enjoyed treats with Claire & Georgia on their last day with us at CHES. They hosted a ice cream sundae treat. Your friends will definitely miss you as well as your teachers!



Ben is proudly showing off his friendship pin.

Kindergarten

During the month of August a lot has happened for the Kindergarten class. We said goodbye to many friends and wished them all a smooth and wonderful transition as they start their new journey outside of CHES. Although saying goodbye is difficult to do, we are just as excited to welcome the new group of children into Kindergarten. Ms. Liz and I (Ms. Sherri) are very excited to have Annalise B., Ryan S., Addison J., John H., Asher S., Brendan S. and Ben B. join the Kindergarten class of 2012. We are looking forward to spending time with and getting to know each one of these children. Don't worry about the number of children we have to start our new year with, we will grow a little more during the month of Sept. If you have any questions that do not need immediate attention, you may contact me through email at sherri.slomchinski@mmschools.org.



Spanish Corner

Here are some vocabulary words, lessons and songs we will be learning in Spanish throughout the month of September:

La comida "Food"

Chocolate	Chocolate
Plantano	Banana
Agua	Water
Pan	Bread
Fresa	Strawberry
Pollo	Chicken
Papa	Potato
Panqueques	Pancakes
Cereal	Cereal
Huevos	Eggs
Dulce	Candy
Cono de Nieve	Ice Cream
	Cone
Zanahoria	Carrots
Manzana	Apple
Uvas	Grapes
Hamburguesa	Hamburger
Fruta	Fruit
Naranja	Orange
Queso	Cheese

Numeros "Numbers"

Uno	One
Dos	Two
Tres	Three
Quatro	Four
Cinco	Five
Séis	Six
Siete	Seven
Ocho	Eight
Nueve	Nine
Diez	Ten
Once	Eleven
Doce	Twelve
Trece	Thirteen
Catorce	Fourteen
Quince	Fifteen
Dieciséis	Sixteen
Diecisiete	Seventeen
Dieciocho	Eighteen
Diecinueve	Nineteen
Veinte	Twenty

Colores "Colors"

Rojo	Red
Verde	Green
Anaranjado	Orange
Morado	Purple
Blanco	White
Negro	Black
Gris	Gray
Azul	Blue
Rosa	Pink
Amarillo	Yellow
Café	Brown



Días de la Semana "The Days of the Week"

Lunes	Monday
Martes	Tuesday
Miercoles	Wednesday
Jueves	Thursday
Viernes	Friday
Sabado	Saturday
Domingo	Sunday

Canción: Buenos Dias "Song: Good Morning"

Buenos dias,	Good morning,
Buenos dias,	Good morning,
¿Como estas?	How are you?
¿Como estas?	How are you?
Muy bien gracias,	Very good thank you,
Muy bien gracias,	Very good thank you,
¿Y usted?	And you?
¿Y usted?	And you?

Cathedral House Birthdays



Rhys P. - September 1st - 5 years old

Jack W. - September 2nd - 1 year old

Katerina L. - September 5th - 5 years old

Andrew S. - September 10th - 2 years old

Emory B. - September 11th - 3 years old

Harrison L. - September 12th - 1 year old

Jack V. - September 13th - 1 year old

Payton L. - September 23rd - 2 years old

Addison H. - September 25th - 2 years old

Will C. - September 28th - 2 years old

Paul C. - September 29th - 1 year old



Cathedral House Staff Birthdays

Maria Castro - September 8th - Housekeeping

Synthia Mendez - September 12 - Movement I

Abigail Moreno - September 12 - Movement I

Virginia Alderete - September 17th - Movement II

Angele Seymour - September 23rd - Administration

