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JUNE HIGHLIGHTS



- June 3 :** Last day of class for Pre-K, Montessori & Kindergarten
- June 6:** Summer Camp Begins
- June 14:** Flag Day
- June 17:** Father's Day Breakfast

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From the Regional Director's Desk ~ Debbie Pack

As we begin the month of June, we celebrate with our graduates of 2016! Thank you to our wonderful teachers and administrative staff for another successful school year. It is a great sense of accomplishment to know you've been a part of a child's future.

All that hard work deserves a little fun and that's what summer camp brings to Creative Playrooms! The children are looking forward to field trips such as Pump It Up and Fairview Lanes, as well as having in-house visitors like Jungle Terry! They also enjoy lots of outdoor activities, swimming, crafts, games, fun days, team building projects and making new friends. I look forward to an exciting summer camp!

Happy Father's Day to all our dads at Creative Playrooms. Relax and enjoy your day!

Parent reminders:

- Please be sure you have returned your camp packet with all permission slips signed. Also stop in the office for your child's camp T-shirt, which must be worn on all field trips.
- **Remember the children are not permitted to wear sandals, flip flops, Crocs, or other loose fitting shoes. Tennis shoes are best for daily activities and field trips.**
- Please stop in the office with any sunscreen to complete an Administration of Medication form before it can be applied.

What's Happening Around Us...

Submitted by Center Directors

Independence ~ Donna Kupiecki

Hello, June! There couldn't be a better way to start June than with a Montessori Graduation, which will be held Thursday, June 2, 2016 in the auditorium at 7:00pm. Please have your children back at school no later than 6:45pm. Also remember there is to be no reserving of seats in the auditorium, seating is first come first serve; we suggest getting here early. Friday, June 3rd will be the last day of classes for Montessori, and then it's our "Spectacular Summer Camp" starting on Monday, June 6th. Our first field trip won't be until the following week, June 13th, and we'll be going to the Artist of the Day! Remember: If you want your child to wear sunscreen during the summer months, you MUST fill out a form for us to administer it. Please label the bottle with your child's name and PERSONALLY HAND IT TO YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER! Please do not send it in your child's bag.

Employee of the Month

We welcome back Miss Karen to our staff this year for the summer. Miss Karen enjoys working with the Sr. Campers. The staff and the children are so happy to welcome her back. Miss Karen especially loves to read and do special projects with the children related to the story.

Maple Heights ~ Lisa Woodward

June and the official start of summer has arrived. The school children are thrilled school is out and are looking forward to summer camp and special field trips, activities, and summer friendships. Happy Father's Day to all our special dads. Graduation for our PreK children is Monday, June 6th at 7:00pm at the Maple Heights High School. Please have your children there no later than 6:30pm. Please abide by the parking rules for our center: cars are not permitted to park by the door or the side of the back building. There are plenty of parking spaces available. The safety of our children is at risk when we cannot follow parking lot rules.

Employee of the Month

A big congratulations to Ron and Bob, our school van drivers, for another safe school year. These gentlemen will also be in charge of driving for our summer field trips. Ron has been with Maple Heights Creative Playrooms over six years and Bob has been with our center for two years. Thank you, Ron and Bob, for your continued safe service to our children.

Parma ~ Jennifer Cook

Summer has arrived! We are very excited about all the wonderful learning opportunities that summer brings. We will be planting a garden on the playground, celebrating all our graduates, and taking many fun field trips. Our graduation ceremony will be held on Thursday, June 2, 2016 at 7:00pm at the high school. Summer camp will begin on the 6th. All summer camp packets, permission slips, and activity fees are due no later than June 3rd. Please remember to dress appropriately for the weather. No open toed shoes, sandals or crocs are permitted.

Employee of the Month

Congratulations to Ms. Miaya Settles, our Montessori Directress. Ms. Miaya has been with Parma Montessori for 10 years. She loves to teach the children new things and really explore Maria Montessori's method. She enjoys spending time with her two sons.

Solon ~ Kathleen Milliken

Welcome summer! June is a very busy busy month that begins with Summer Camp, which will start on June 6th. Please remember to complete all your paperwork and submit it to the office so your child (ages 4-12) can attend field trips. We will celebrate Father's Day on Friday, June 17, with breakfast from 7:30-8:30am in the cafeteria. We hope all the dads can make it! Please remember no sandals, crocs, or open-toed shoes permitted - tennis shoes please. Fall Montessori and Kindergarten registration has begun - please remember to sign up in the office today to reserve your spot.

Employee of the Month

Congratulations to Mrs. Nicole Craft! Nicole will be celebrating her 3-year anniversary with Creative Playrooms this month, as our Kindergarten teacher. This year all 18 of her children successfully completed Kindergarten. Nicole opens our building each morning with a smile on her face and is always ready to answer any questions the parents may have. The three words that describe Nicole are patient, persistent and happy!

Strongsville ~ Lisa Ross

It's already summer! With the school systems getting out early, we are already in full swing with our summer camps! This month we have Jungle Terry coming to the center. We have so many great field trips planned - the park, Beck Center, Science Center and the Cleveland Zoo. Make sure your child is signed up! We will honor our fathers with a Father's Day breakfast on Friday, the 17th. Don't forget: if your child will be 5 years old on or before September 30, you can enroll them in our private chartered Kindergarten for the fall. We still have a couple of spots open!

Employee of the Month

Congratulations to Miss Annie. Miss Annie has recently joined our team here at Strongsville Montessori. She has one of the older groups of Toddlers and does a great job involving the children in the different activities and pushing their minds to think creatively. Thank you for your hard work!

Westlake ~ Debbie Pack

June begins with our graduation celebration on June 1st at 7:00 p.m. at Parkside Intermediate School. Summer camp begins June 6th! Please make sure you have completed all the necessary permission slips and picked up your T-shirt for field trip days. Also, the activity fee must be paid in order to participate. Happy Father's Day to all our special Dads! Relax and enjoy your day! Don't forget to register now for Montessori and Private Kindergarten classes for the fall!

Employee of the Month

Congratulations to Jaime Houck-Tomblin. Jaime has been working at Westlake Montessori School for 17 years. She was a Preschool teacher and PreK supervisor for many years. Last year she accepted the Assistant Director position, and has been doing a great job! Jaime is always kind and patient and loves seeing the children from her class growing, as well as meeting some younger siblings. Thank you for a great school year Jaime!

June Curriculum Ideas & Classroom Themes

Infant Info

Sensory: Color the Sunshine, Blowing Bubbles, Listen to Music, Touch the Flowers
Gross Motor: Baseball, Rocking Horse, Ball Pit, Parachute
Fine Motor: Let's Color, Building Towers, Shape Puzzle, Stacking Blocks
Audio/Visual: Flannel Board Story, Musical Instruments, Color Picture Book
Finger Plays



Jr. Toddler Tidbits - Themes: Eric Carle, Zoo Animals, Beach Bash, Ocean Life



Practical Life: Let's Go Fishing, Count the Cookies, Let's Have a Picnic
Gross Motor: Swim Like a Fish, Marching in a Parade, Bean Bags
Science: Sensory Blocks, Water Table, Sand Cups, Magnets
Art: Handprint Octopus, Tissue Paper Butterfly, Marble Paint



Sr. Toddlers - Themes: Eric Carle, Zoo Animals, Beach Bash, Ocean Life

Practical Life: Let's Have a Picnic, Zoo Keeper, Let's Play Restaurant
Gross Motor: Caterpillar Crawl, Bounce the Ball, Zebra Run, Sliding Board
Science: Ocean Animals, Sand Table, Magnets
Art: Handprint Shark, Tissue Paper Caterpillar, Sea Turtle, Sponge Paint



Prep & Montessori Camp - Themes: All about Me, Ocean Adventures, Pet Shop, 3-Ring Circus



Music & Movement: I am Special, Take Me Out to the Ocean, Circus Time
Gross Motor: Fish Ring Toss, Hopscotch, Try to Juggle, Tight Rope Walker
Science: Ocean in a Bottle, Hubble Bubble,
Art: "Me" Book, Paper Plate Crab, Flag Mural, Clown Faces
Cooking: Rice Krispy Treats, Fish Bowl Cookies, Cheesy Snakes, Cotton Candy

Senior Camp - Themes: Let's Camp, Let's Be Friends, Let's Be Amazed, Let's Build, Let's Cook

Backyard Science: Penny Pinch, Colored Water, Seedlings, Litter Brigade
In the Kitchen Cup Cake Design, Ice Cream Social, Beach in a Cup, Apple Cars
Crafty Creations: Building Bridges, House Design, Chef Hat, I Can Posters, Jester Hat
Sports Spectacular: Tag Games, Soccer, Water Games, Hoola-Hoop, Frisbee
Cooperating Games: Detective, Box Ball, Roll Call, Shake Hands, Make a Stand, Box City



MONTESSORI MATTERS

Independence Center - Peggy Albaugh

Themes: Graduation, Flag Day, Father's Day, Summer Camp

We are all excited about the Montessori graduation on June 2nd at 7pm. The school year whizzed by and summer camp fun will be starting. Our field trips are scheduled and our campers will be ready. It most certainly will be a spectacular summer. We will learn about ceramics on our first field trip.



Geography:	Flag Day U.S.A.
Language:	Summer Journals or Pictures
Math:	Fractions
Practical Life:	Donuts for Dad, Flag Folding
Science:	Gook and Sand
Art:	Father's Day Art, Flag Day, Camp



Parma Center - Miaya Settles

Themes: Father's Day, Summer Camp, Under the Sea

As the school year comes to an end, we look forward to the first day of summer camp. Be on the lookout for cool summer activities like cooking projects, science experiments, and of course, field trips! Our Montessori children that are going to Kindergarten in the fall will have their graduation ceremony on Thursday, June 2nd at 7:00pm. Our Father's Day breakfast will be on the 17th.



Sensorial:	Scent Jars
Geography:	Deserts
Language:	Sight Words
Math:	Snake Game
Practical Life:	Fruit Slicing
Science:	Food Pyramid
Art:	Ice Cream, Watermelon, Bubble Gum Machines, Swim Suits



MONTESSORI MATTERS

Solon Center - Susan Yang

Themes: Father's Day, Summer Camp

As we are approaching summer time, please remember to let teachers know whether or not your child will be attending. Also remember to fill out and return your summer camp forms to the office. We will be going on a few field trips (children 4 & older) which include the Cuyahoga Valley Line, History Museum, and the Nature Center.

Sensorial:	Sand Activities, Planting Seeds
Language:	Outdoor Alphabet, I-Spy, Alphabet Freeze
Practical Life:	Watering Plants, Shoe Tying
Science:	Growing Plants, Bird Feeders
Art:	Newspaper Kites, Sun Prints



Strongsville Center - Julie Ryan

Themes: Flag Day, Father's Day, Summer, World Geography

Congratulations to all our graduates! We are sorry to see some of our friends move on to Kindergarten, but we know they are well prepared and they'll be happy. We are looking forward to a terrific summer with swimming, field trips, and the summer Olympics! We plan on lots of map and flag work to get ready for the Olympics. Safe and happy travels to all our June vacationers.

Sensorial:	Graded Color Tablets, Smelling Bottles, Hot or Cold
Geography:	The Continents & Flags Centering on Brazil, Land Forms
Language:	"Hello" in many Languages, Vowel Sounds
Math:	Addition with the Bead Work, Chains
Practical Life:	Color Mixing, Soap Grating
Science:	Hot and Cold, the Science of Melting, Insects
Art:	Father's Day, Summer Fun, Sand Art, Wood Construction, American Flag



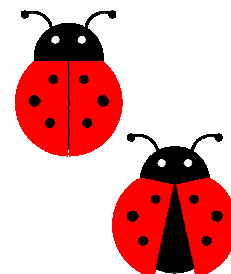
Westlake Center - Stephenie Loris

Themes: All about Me, Great Outdoors, Out of the World, Zoo Keepers

Now that graduation is over, we start off our Summer Camp program! We are getting to know new friends and preparing for field trips. We will spend lots of time outdoors, cooking, playing games, and doing messy science projects. Montessori campers will study zoo animals and learn about the solar system. Please remember to wear the yellow CP t-shirts for all field trips. Happy Father's Day to all our Montessori dads!



Sensorial:	Sink & Float
Geography:	Label Planets
Language:	Picture Journals
Math:	Watermelon & Seed Match
Practical Life:	Dig for Bugs
Science:	Ladybug Farm
Art:	Planet Mobile



KINDERGARTEN KORNER

Parma Center ~ Janice Peak

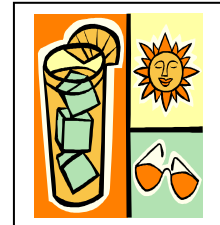
Themes: Summer Fun & Safety

Our last day of school is June 3rd. Graduation will be held on Thursday, June 2nd, at 7:00pm at the Parma Senior High Little Theatre. The last week of school we will be celebrating all our accomplishments this year and learning about summer safety to get us ready for summer camp.



Solon Center ~ Nicole Craft

Themes: Summer, Summer, Summer



Dear Creative Playrooms Kindergarten Class of 2016:

Thank you all for such a wonderful year! I am so proud of each of you and all you have accomplished! You have all worked so hard this year and truly learned a lot! I am exceptionally proud of all my star readers. Each one of you is not afraid to work hard and challenge yourselves when learning something new. Always remember you can do anything you put your mind to! I cannot wait to see the bright future you have ahead of you and what your future holds. Good luck in first grade; I will miss you! Congratulations on a job well done, and have a fun-filled summer!

Love,
Mrs. Craft

As a reminder, we are currently enrolling for the 2016-2017 school year. Please stop in the office to learn more about our program!

KINDERGARTEN KORNER

Strongsville Center ~ Mrs. Sue Kemp

Themes: Summer Fun & Safety

It's hard to believe we are at the end of the school year. The last week will be filled with review of the entire year. Remember graduation is on Monday, June 6th at 7:00pm, here at the center. Your child needs to be here by 6:15pm to dress in their caps and gowns. Please drop off in the after school room. It has been a pleasure having your child in my class this year. Best of luck to all of you in First Grade! Have a safe and happy summer! As a reminder, we are currently enrolling for the 2016-2017 school year. Please stop in the office to learn more about our program!

Math:	Looking Ahead to First Grade
Language:	Review What We Learned, Word Family
Science:	Safety While Outdoors
Social Studies:	Summer Holidays
Art:	Picnic Basket

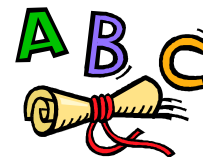


Westlake Center ~ Diane Runner

Themes: Graduation, Summer Fun

We will end the year with treats, awards, and games. The children are excited about graduation on June 1st. It has been a great year! Some of the children's favorite memories are playing secret number, hard tests, and hugs from the teacher! Have a safe and fun summer!

Math:	Money, Surveys
Language:	Graduation Songs, Sparkle
Science:	Birds
Social Studies:	Review
Art:	Collages, Dot Painting



~~Pool News~~

We will be learning pool safety at all our pools this month. Please bring in a new bathing suit for your child, as some of the children grow out of their suits over the winter.

Parma: This month we will be diving for objects and continuing to work on floating on our stomachs.

Solon: Pool parties on June 8 (PreK & Montessori) and June 10 for the After Schoolers. Each class will do a 5 to 10 minute water exercise before we go swimming each session.

Strongsville: The pool is open! The children will show what they can do in the water and start lessons based on their current abilities.

Westlake: We'll begin summer reviewing swim and safety rules. Preschool will be getting comfortable with faces in the water while Prep Campers will back float on their own. Montessori Campers will tread water and use survival floats while Sr. Campers will practice simple rescue techniques.



Employee Spotlight Katianna "Katie" Hader Parma Montessori

Katie has been with Parma Montessori a little over 2 years and is our Preschool Supervisor. Any time Miss Katie walks into a room all the children get excited. She is always happy and eager to find new adventures for her class. She loves to get them outside and moving around. A day does not go by without a former student of hers running to her for a hug. In Miss Katie's spare time she likes to travel and spend time with her family.

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~~HAPPY BIRTHDAY~~

MAY TODAY BE AS EXTRAORDINARY AS YOU!

~~HAPPY ANNIVERSARY~~



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TO CREATIVE PLAYROOMS MONTESSORI & CHILD CARE CENTERS!

	<u>BIRTHDAYS</u>	<u>ANNIVERSARIES</u>
<u>CORPORATE</u>	Bobby Hyrb 06/29 Lew Wenk 06/21	NONE
<u>INDEPENDENCE</u>	Jessica Popa 06/04	NONE
<u>MAPLE HEIGHTS</u>	Jasmine Harris 06/09 Lisa Woodward 06/27	NONE
<u>PARMA</u>	Samantha Hager 06/10 Samantha Muschak 06/20 Janice Peak 06/30 Miaya Settles 06/25	Jennifer Cook 1 Yr. Mary Royer 1 Yr.
<u>SOLON</u>	Erin Kacmarcik 06/20 Amanda Sitter 06/16 Tracy Warner 06/12	Nicole Craft 3 Yrs.
<u>STRONGSVILLE</u>	Miranda Kuczynski 06/12 Donna Lingenfelter 06/18	Rebecca Comprix 5 Yrs. Ashley Eagle 1 Yr. Lisa Ross 2 Yrs.
<u>WESTLAKE</u>	Cassandra Wilson 06/06	NONE