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### CREATIVE PLAYROOMS

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#### JUNE HIGHLIGHTS

**June 4-8:** Graduation Ceremonies

(see your school for more information)

**June 8:** Last Day of Montessori & Kindergarten Classes

**June 11:** Summer Camp Begins

June 14: Flag Day

**June 15:** Father's Day Breakfast



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#### From the Vice President, School Operations ~ Debbie Pack

As we begin the month of June, we celebrate with our graduates of 2018! 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 to new sites, as well as some old favorites. They also enjoy lots of outdoor activities, swimming, crafts, games, fun Fridays, and making new friends. It is <u>imperative</u> you provide for the safety of the children above all else. Plan ahead, stay mindful of your environment and keep accurate name to face count of your children at all times.

I look forward to an exciting summer camp. Have fun!



## 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! Graduation will be held Wednesday, June 6, 2018 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 so we suggest getting here early. Friday, June 8th will be the last day of classes for Montessori, and then summer camp begins Monday, June 11, 2018. Just a reminder that it's that time again and if you would like your child to wear sunscreen during the summer months, you MUST fill out a form for us to administer the sunscreen! 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! This is also a great time to update your child's extra set of clothes to make sure that they are in season and fit! The last reminder is that there are to be no flip-flops, crocs, sandals, or slip-ons of any sort; the only shoes permitted are rubber soled tennis shoes! If your child does not come to school in the appropriate shoes, he or she will not be permitted to go outside.

#### Employee of the Month

Congratulations to all our Infant room teachers! Miss Kathy, Miss Ashley, Miss Nicole and Miss Elissa have done a wonderful job working together in the classroom. The Infant room teachers go over and beyond taking care of all the precious babies. They have a great routing and they communicate with ease. The art displayed in the room always looks so nice! Thanks, ladies for all your hard work and dedication! Keep up the good work!

#### Maple Heights ~ Lisa Woodward

School is over and summer has started! Summer camp will start on June  $11^{th}$ . We look forward to playing outside and the extended daylight hours that make summer a time to enjoy family time, grilling, playing in the park or family vacation time. Our graduation program is June  $8^{th}$  at 7:00 p.m., which will be held at the center. Happy Father's Day to all our father figures. We will enjoy 'Donuts for Dad' on Friday, June  $15^{th}$ . I hope you will be able to join us.

#### Employee of the Month

With the school year drawing to a close, we wish to thank all of our teachers for all their combined efforts in educating our students for another school year. Thanks to our drivers who drove the children back and forth to school; Carolyn and Jill for providing nutritious meals on a daily basis, and to those whose daily work does not go unnoticed, but are so essential in the operation of our daily learning. Thank you everyone for another great school year!

#### Parma ~ Melissa Lahowe

Summer is finally here! Our graduation ceremony will be on June 5th at 7:00 p.m. for Kindergarten and Montessori and 7:30 for the Pre-Kindergarten class. We are very excited about all the wonderful learning opportunities our children will be having during summer camp. Please be sure your summer camp packets are turned in so your child won't miss out on all the fun with field trips. Summer camp will begin on June  $11^{th}$ .

#### Employee of the Month

Congratulations to Mrs. Emily Tyler for being chosen as Employee of the Month for June! Mrs. Tyler has been with Parma Montessori for over a year and is our Kindergarten teacher. She always has a smile on her face and a positive attitude. Thank you, Mrs. Tyler for your continuous dedication to our families. Please help us congratulate her as she prepares for the birth of her baby girl!

#### Solon ~ Kathleen Milliken

Summer has finally arrived! Our graduation ceremony for Pre-K, Montessori, and Kindergarten will be held on June 4, 2018. Summer camp fees are due by June  $1^{st}$ ; please complete all summer camp field trip packets by this day, as well. Summer camp will start on June  $11^{th}$ . Please only wear tennis shoes; crocs, jellies, and sandals are not permitted for safety reasons. We are now accepting enrollment for our Chartered Kindergarten program for fall 2018-2019. Please see me for more information.

#### Employee of the Month

Thank you to all our staff for a successful school year! Every one of you plays an important role in teaching and nurturing the children in our school. Each of you is an important part of Solon Creative Playrooms each in an individual way. Kudos to all of you!

#### Strongsville ~ Stephanie Annes

The school year is coming to an end and our Pre-K, Montessori, and Kindergarten classes are preparing for graduation! Please check with your classroom teachers for graduation dates and times. To follow the classroom celebrations we will be hosting a picnic for the classes to end the year on a fun note. Watch for more details. Summer camp is just around the corner so remember to pick up your camp packet. Please be sure your child has weather appropriate clothes for outdoor play and that you switch out their extra clothes in their cubby. No open-toed shoes or crocs permitted. Our pool will be opened for Summer Camp - please remember to bring your child's swimsuit, towel and shoes in a separate bag. Also remember to bring your filled out forms with your child's sunscreen.

#### Employee of the Month

Congratulations to Ms. Brenda Lash in our Prekindergarten room for being employee of the month. Ms. Brenda always starts her day off with a big smile on her face. She loves working with the children on individual projects and reading special books to them in groups. Ms. Brenda loves seeing her children succeed as she prepares them for Kindergarten. Thank you, Ms. Brenda for all that you do; we appreciate all your hard work!

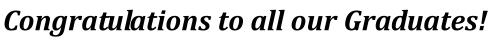
#### Westlake ~ Toni Regula

This month brings graduation, which we will celebrate on June  $5^{th}$ . Congratulations to all our graduates and thanks to the teachers for another great year! We are ready to kick off summer camp on June  $11^{th}$ . Everyone is excited about all the activities and visitors we have planned this summer. Happy Father's Day to all our special dads! We hope you can join us for breakfast on June  $15^{th}$ .

#### Employee of the Month

Congratulations to Jessica Panter, our Employee of the Month! Jessica has been with Creative Playrooms for almost three years. She started at our Strongsville location and joined Westlake last fall. Jessica works in the Toddler room and she loves the excitement when the children learn and discover new things. She helps in other areas as needed and always has a smile on her face! Thank you for your dedication to the children!







### June Curriculum Ideas & Classroom Themes

Infant/Toddlers - Themes: Summer Safety, Trees, Bugs, Camping

**Practical Life:** Summer Safety Practices, Flower Planning

Gross Motor: Bug Hunt, Fly Like an Insect, Bear Hunt, Walk on a Web
Language & Art: Make a tree, Make a Butterfly, Dragonfly, Camp Fire, S'mores

Science: Color Trees, Ice Painting, Carnation Coloring



Prep & Montessori Camp - Themes: Imaginarium, All Aboard, Welcome to Hollywood, Medieval

Times, Make It, Take It, Walk of Fame Star, Make a Trophy

HOLLY WOOD

Gross Motor: Frog Hop Relay, Duck, Duck, Goose, Walk the Plank, Treasure Hunt Science: Color Splash, Raisin Rising, Balloon Experiment, Polishing Pennies Art: Musical Instruments, Movie Posters, Face Paint, Prince Charming,

Princess Crown/Prince Hat, Heart-shaped Crayons

Summer Camp: Imaginarium, All Aboard, Welcome to Hollywood, Medieval Time

Back Yard Science: Story Stones, Climbing Colors, Green Thumb, Super Starch,

Balloon Rocket

All About Games: Relay Races, Mutual Monsters, Lean Too, Body Volley
Creation Station: T-shirt Dog Toys, Cookie Pops, ABC Breadsticks, Yoga
Games Galore: Uno Competition, Statues, Brainstorm, Freedom Flag

Make It-Take It: Water Color Coffee Filters, Me Collage, Sea Life Collage, What a Funny

Face



Please remember that tennis shoes are to be worn daily!

No Sandals or Crocs

Also remember toys are not to be brought from home.

Please complete all field trip information by June 5, 2018

# MONTESSORI MATTERS

#### Independence Center

Themes: Summer Camp; Planting Our Garden; Graduation Day

June 6th is our graduation day and the children are very excited. We are getting ready for Summer Camp and all the fun filled activities. The children will be planting our garden and will be keeping track of how the plants grow and watering and weeding. The older children will be keeping a journal about what they will be doing each week. We hope everyone has a safe and awesome summer!

Sensorial: Music

Geography: Fun Places to Visit in the Summer

Language: Journal

Math: Counting Our Veggies That Are Growing in the Garden

Practical Life: Dress Up
Science: Gardening

Art: Correspond with Weekly Themes

#### Parma Center

Themes: Summer Fun, Nature

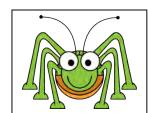
We have worked so hard all year and graduation is finally here! Please celebrate with us Tuesday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Summer Camp will kick off on June 11<sup>th</sup>, and we look forward to going on field trips every week. We will be enjoying the weather by going on nature walks, doing amazing science projects, and cooking creations. We will still continue to cover all aspects of the Montessori Program.



Sensorial: Smelling Jars
Geography: Landmarks
Language: Diagraphs
Math: Time

Practical Life: Making Orange Juice Science: Parts of a Grasshopper

Art: Lady Bugs, Watermelon, Ice Cream



#### Solon Center

Themes: All Aboard! Welcome to Hollywood, Medieval Times

Happy June and congratulations to our grads! Welcome to Summer Camp! This summer we have a lot of fun and exciting activities in store. Our summer opens up with the Theme of "All Aboard"; we hope everyone enjoys the "ride"! Our other themes this month include Hollywood and Medieval Times. We can't wait to start our summer adventures!

Language: Parachute "Hello", Letter Pretzels, Name Train, Aa & Bb Coloring

Geography: Who Stole the Cookie? Going on Vacation, It's a Toss-Up

Music: Boom Chicka Boom, Make New Friends

Practical Life: Summer Plants & Taking Care of Them, Setting up a Picnic

Science/Cooking: Friendship Mix, Bubble Prints, Balloon Experiment, Glitter

Marshmallows

Art: Magnetic Art, Rainbow Art, Handprint Wreath



# MONTESSORI MATTERS

#### Strongsville Center

Themes: Graduation, Summer, Father's Day

Congratulations to our graduates! It's time for summer camp and we're planning a ton of fun in the sun! We will learn a lot about weather and the elements. We plan on doing a lot of cooking projects. We have some very interesting field trips planned. And we finally get to use the swimming pool just outside our window. Safe and happy travels to all of our vacationers!

Note: Summer Show n' Tell will be food-alphabetically; Check the board each week to see which letters we are covering.



Sensorial: Weight, Geometric Solids

Geography: Australia, Flags, Community Helpers

Language: Adjectives, Menus

Math: Gold Beads, Graphing Surveys

**Practical Life:** Water Works, Table Washing, Ordering from a Menu **Science:** Water, Making Ice Cream, Sink or Float, Ice, Weather

Art: Painting with Ice, Seasonal Art, Weather Charms



#### Westlake Center

Themes: Graduation, All Aboard, Welcome to Hollywood, Medieval Times

Our school year has come to an end. We will have to say goodbye to some of our Montessori friends. Graduation will be June  $5^{th}$  at 7:00 p.m. We are excited to welcome our new camp friends later this month. Camp is filled with games, outdoor play, crafts, cooking, swimming, and field trips! Come join the fun!

Sensorial: Musical Instruments; Summer Smell Jars

Geography: All About Our Oceans

Language:Summer Journals & Name WritingMath:Fish 1-10; Watermelon MathPractical Life:Neon Dough, Digging for BugsScience:Ladybug Garden; Polishing PenniesArt:Truck Painting; Princess Crowns

# KINDERGARTEN KORNER

#### Parma Center ~ Emily Tyler

Themes: Graduation: Summer Fun

Our year is winding down to prepare for graduation and enjoy a fun-filled summer. We will be holding our graduation ceremony on June 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00p.m. in the center. Please have your child there by 6:30. Summer camp will start on Monday, June 11th. We hope you will be joining us this summer!



Math: Review Numbers

Language: Complete Alphabet Poetry Folders

Science: Explore Shadows During Outside Activities Social Studies: Practice Graduation Songs, Explore the

Question - "What do I want to be when I

grow up?"

Father's Day Gifts, Rainbows

#### Solon Center ~ Susan Yang

Graduation Themes:

Dear Creative Playrooms Kindergarten Class of 2018:



Thank you for a wonderful school year! We will finish the year with our Graduation ceremony on June 4, 2018.

> I'm glad I was your teacher I've come to love you so I can't believe the end is here I hate to see you go! Remember all the fun we had In all the things we did But most of all remember... You're a very special kid!

#### Strongsville Center ~ Mrs. Sue Kemp

Art:

Themes: Summer Fun

It's hard to believe we are at the end of the school year. The last week will be filled with review of the year. Graduation is on June 7th here at Strongsville Montessori. Your child will need to be here by 7:00 to get their caps & gowns on. Please drop them off in the after school room. Graduation is at 7:30. Last day of class is June 8th. It has been a pleasure to have your child in my class this year. I would like to wish the best of luck to you and your families. Have a safe and Happy Summer!



Math: Look Ahead to First Grade

Review What We Learned; Word Family Language:

Science: Safety While Outdoors Summer Holidays Social Studies: Picnic Basket

# KINDERGARTEN KORNER

#### Westlake Center ~ Diane Runner

Themes: Summer

We're wrapping up the Kindergarten year and preparing for graduation! The kids worked hard this year - they took on challenges and worked through them. I am proud of the skills they learned this year! Some of our friends will be staying for summer camp and some will be saying goodbye. So long my Kindergarten friends! I'll miss you.

Math: Taking Surveys

Language: Graduation Songs and Poems

Science: Color Mixing

Social Studies: Writing our Address

Art: Self Portraits



#### ~~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 kicking off the summer with having fun in the pool. We all know how much we love the pool on hot days. The children will be reminded about pool safety, not only here, but as they swim elsewhere throughout the summer. Have a great summer and stay cool!

Solon: June brings a splash to the pool. This month we will do SAFETY in the pool and around water. We will learn how to call 9-1-1 and how to be safe. Senior Camp will begin summer water aerobics. Prep Camp & Montessori Camp will begin with basic water skills of kicking & blowing bubbles.

**Strongsville:** The pool is now open! Please welcome Ms. Julia, our lifeguard. She has a swim coach background and currently swims for Ashland University.

**Westlake**: We will be learning about summer pool safety and introducing our new camp friends to our rules. We will discuss safety around outdoor pools and have a pool party to kick off summer camp!



#### Employee Spotlight Miranda Kuczynski Strongsville

Summer



Miss Miranda has been with Strongsville Montessori & Child Care Center since October of 2013. She is the Cook for our center, and really loves the time she gets to spend with the children while they are eating all the delicious and nutritious food she makes for them. Miss Miranda is always coming up with new fun food the children enjoy. The children especially enjoy Miss Miranda's Friday "special snacks". Thank you, Miranda, for your dedication and love of the children!



# J U N E



### ~~HAPPY BIRTHDAY~~



#### **MAY TODAY BE AS EXTRAORDINARY AS YOU!**

### ~~HAPPY ANNIVERSARY~~

SHARING THE JOYS THAT BLOSSOM EACH YEAR IN YOUR DEVOTION TO CREATIVE PLAYROOMS MONTESSORI & CHILD CARE CENTERS!

	<b>BIRTHDAYS</b>		<u>ANNIVERSARIES</u>	
<u>CORPORATE</u>	NONE		NONE	
<u>INDEPENDENCE</u>	Cathedric Grant Elissa Pietrzyk	06/17 06/07	NONE	
MAPLE HEIGHTS	Kaliah Brown Jasmine Harris Lisa Woodward	06/09 06/09 06/27	Taylor Banks	1 Yr.
<u>PARMA</u>	Deliana Gonzalez Victoria Rowinsky Miaya Settles	06/13 06/08 06/25	NONE	
SOLON	Tracy Warner	06/12	NONE	
<u>STRONGSVILLE</u>	Stephanie Annes Miranda Kuczynski Jill Martin	06/28 06/12 06/28	Breana Busicnki	2 Yrs.
<u>WESTLAKE</u>	NONE		Sam Hollenbeck	2 Yrs.