



Small Wonders Learning Center August Newsletter 2018

Coming in September: We will be closed Monday, September 3rd. Happy Labor Day!

From the Office:

Welcome: Wow! Where has the summer gone?! We have one more month of summer fun before we say goodbye to our summer friends and give a BIG welcome to all of our new families! If you have any questions, please talk to your child's teacher or stop by the office—we'll be happy to help you out! ☺

Schedules: The office needs to be notified of any schedule changes for the fall. If you no longer need care this fall, please write down your child's last day and put it in the drop box in the hallway. The last day of summer care is Friday, August 17th. We wish you the best and are so thankful for having an opportunity to share in your child's life! Reminder, we need a two-week notice for all families discontinuing care.

Summer Blow-Out Party: Our end of summer celebration is **Wednesday, August 22nd**. The festivities will include a special lunch, games, and tons of fun. Let's hope for pleasant weather conditions. This event takes place rain or shine.

Parent Boards: Please be sure to read the parent boards in the classrooms. Our teachers will post important information on them daily. In addition, there is a Parent Board located in the hallway leading to the playground. Please check it daily for Center News, Wacky Wednesday Info, Community Events, our Breakfast menu, and more.

Healthy Snack and Lunch ideas: We'd like to remind all of our families that you should be following the USDA guidelines when packing your child's snacks and lunches. We love filling up on healthy food options, so our friends have the energy to run play and grow throughout the day!! We know there are a lot of "fun" food items out there but please be conscious of how much sugar and wasted calories are in some of these items. Items like soda, candies, and such are not able to be served per DCF regulations. If you have questions or concerns, please see your child's teacher or a member of the Administration.

Making the Move: If your child will be moving to a new classroom, his/her teacher will let you know the week of August 20th. The actual moves will take place on **Monday, August 27st**.

Bus Tags: Bus tags are given to those students who will be riding the bus from their elementary school to Small Wonders after school. If your child is new to Small Wonders or is a kindergartner, he or she will need a bus tag. You will also need to sign an Alternate Arrival/Release Agreement. Reminder: The first day of school for the Milton School District is Tuesday Sept 4th.

MPK children: As we start a new school year, we will again be a site for the School District of Milton's MPK program. The MPK program is a separate program from Small Wonders so please review all notes that your child receives. All MPK notes should have the School District's logo on them. **MPK starts on Tuesday, September 4th, 2018.**

Lost and Found: Please check our lost and found bin located by the front doors. We will be emptying it prior the new school year.

As the children and staff come and go and we settle into new routines, we meet new friends, and adjust to new surroundings we take measure of where we are. This is a tremendously rewarding business and we thank all of you for supporting us along the way. We are very grateful for the children we take care of each and every day. We hope everyone carves out just a few moments from their busy lives to enjoy the last weeks of summer.

Wishing you Warm Summer Breezes!
Miss Beth, Miss Terri, and Miss Julia



From the Sunshine Room:

It's the last month of summer and in the Sunshine room we plan to enjoy every minute of it! We have an exciting month planned as we explore the Camping, Dinosaurs, Races, and Sports.

We will spend lots of time on the floor encouraging our younger infants with tummy time, sitting up, and working on their crawling position. For those friends ready, we will also work on walking without support and feeding ourselves. We will also be working on core muscles skills and exercises to help be able to move better. We are also working on fine motor skills and the pinching grasp to pick things up.

As a reminder, please label all bottle and bottle parts with your baby's name and the date. Also please send in family photos for our family collage.

Happy August!
Miss Heather and Miss Tara



From the Rainbow Room:

Wow, it's a new month already! With the nice weather in July we were able to enjoy playtime outside as well as some inside too. In August we will continue to spend time outside enjoying the fresh air and the fun in the sun while we can. Our learning units will be Splish/Splash, Birds of a Feather, Pirates, Rain Forest!

This month we will be enjoying our last month of summer and getting some use out of the sprinkler. Our class enjoys doing outdoor art as well as water play.

We'd like to wish Kylie, Elliott, and Violet the best of luck moving to the 2s room and a Happy Birthday to these friends as well.



Giggles and Wiggles and Summertime Fun!
Miss Barb L. and Miss Taylor



From the Moonbeams:

Wow, we can't believe it's August already! The first part of summer has just flown by. We have had tons of fun and we are looking forward to more as the new month begins. Our little explorers will be busy as they discover our learning units of Pirates, Zoo, Rainforest, and Sports!

Boy, do we have some fun activities this month! We will start off by continuing to work on our team building skills as we enjoy group yoga. We will also continue to practice our gluing and scissor skills as we create some fun art activities.

Please send in new family photos for our family wall collage. In addition, continue to send in swim gear, we will be doing water play as much as we can before summer comes to an end. We will also be having a new teacher join us in August! Be sure to watch your cubbies for more information soon.

Summer is "Melting" Away!
Miss Lynn and Miss Alexis



From the Milkyways:

Welcome August and welcome to all my Milkyways... I am so excited to be joining you as your lead teacher. We are going to have so much fun exploring, learning, and growing together!! We'd like to wish Miss Payton lots of fun on her vacation and wish her well in school this fall.

July sure was a warm but busy month!! And now, August is here. We can't believe we are nearing the end of summer already. We are having so much fun...the time just flew by!! ☺ Our fun will continue throughout the month of August as we wrap up our summer themes with Circus, Camping, Zoo, End of Summer and Getting to Know You!

We will be working on our eye-hand coordination, balancing skills, color matching and mixing. We will be using our artistic abilities as we create our own masterpieces! Reminder: If you haven't already, please send in family photos so I can add them to our Family Wall!

Please continue to send in your child's water bottle, we have been staying hydrated during our fun activities outside. The Milkyways absolutely LOVE to play outside!

Sunny Days and Fun Play!
Miss Nikki



From the Shooting Stars:

Happy August to all of our Shooting Star friends! As we start a new month, our themes will include Fishing, Wild West, Zoo, End of Summer, and Getting to Know You!

We start the month working on our hand eye coordination. Throughout the month we will be using our imagination and gross motor skills. We will finish off our month enjoying sand and water play outside. Please continue to send suits and towels on Thursday and Fridays. Our last water days will be Aug 16th and 17th.

Non-napper group: We will be taking a walking field trip to the local Subway on Aug. 15th to enjoy a cookie treat.

Best wishes to all of our friends who will be starting kindergarten in the fall! We hope everyone has a great end to the summer and is able to enjoy the sunshine and make the most of it.



Sunny Smiles!
Miss Melody and Miss Allie



From the School-Age:

Can you believe it is already the last month of summer vacation?! We have had so much fun this past month and are ready to take on what August has to offer! Our learning themes are Beach, Farm, Zoo, and End of summer.

Our field trips for August include:

August 2 nd	Discovery Center:	Departs: 9:30am	Returns: 3:30pm
August 9 th	Bowling/Fort Pool	Departs: 9:30am	Returns: 4:00pm
August 16 th	Bellaire Horse Farm	Departs: 10:00am	Returns: 12:00pm
August 21 st	Milwaukee Zoo	Departs: 9:00am	Returns: 4:00pm

.**Reminder no heat-able items on these days**

Reminder: Our last day of the School Age Summer Program is **Friday, August 17th**.
If you need further care, please contact the office.

Happy August Birthday wishes go out to our friends, Kennedy, Paige, Cash, and Nate!
We hope you all have awesome days!

Finally, a big THANK YOU to our School Age families for participating in the Star Student program! The kids have really enjoyed it and if you have not yet done it, we still have a few weeks left!

Celebrating Summer!
School Age Team

