

July
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The Gingerbread House



Upcoming Events

- The center will be **CLOSED** on Monday, September 4th for Labor Day
- Check out our website for calendars, updated menus, curriculum information, classroom blogs and much more!
- We are proud to announce that **C&S Companies** is a platinum sponsor of our pre-school's Science and Technology Program!



Happy Birthday!

- Brayden Short 5
- Bradley Scarson 4
- Gabriella VanScoter 4
- Clara Brown 4
- Leah Drogo 3
- Avery Nandid 2
- Harper Nandid 2
- Connor Smith 1
- Benjamin Bigness 1
- Catherine Egerbrecht 1
- Nicholas Bossi 1

What's New?

We hope that everyone had a fun and safe Fourth of July weekend! Although we haven't had many dry days, we hope you are enjoying the summer weather as much as possible! Summer is not only a perfect time to relax, but a great opportunity for more family activities! Sports, outdoor crafts, fishing, BBQ's, ice cream, camping and hiking are just a few ways to spend family time together this Summer!

Our Summer curriculum is well underway, and the kids and teachers are busy having fun outside, in the water, and in their classrooms! In order for your child to always have the opportunity to participate in the fun activities planned, please make sure they wear closed toe and heel sandals or sneakers every day. They should always have a bathing suit, water shoes and towel in their cubby for water play. Also, please apply sunscreen to your child every morning either at arrival or before school. We will re-apply in the afternoon before going outside!



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From Dave...

I talk to parents on a daily basis about their child, negative behaviors they are seeing at home, etc... Parents want to do what is best for their child, such as get them into the best programs or onto the best teams. Below are the top three things that you as parent can do to ensure your children will grow and develop into responsible adults in our society.

1. What you do matters

In the age-old battle of nature vs. nurture, rest assured the environment you provide for your child matters as much to his success as heredity.

“There isn’t a more important influence on your child’s development than you, including your child’s genes.

What you do matters. Tell yourself that every day,” Steinberg writes.

Set a good example and don’t underestimate your power to influence your child’s choices. When you make mistakes – and you will – admit them and move on.

“Parents mess up all the time, which is why we read tips. So remember to apologize to your kids if you didn’t handle something as gracefully as you would’ve liked.”

-Angie Markel

2. You cannot be too loving

It’s scientifically impossible to spoil a child with love, so scoop them up and shower them with hugs and praise. “Children need plenty of physical affection from their parents; not just when they are infants, but throughout childhood and adolescence,” Steinberg writes.

Children develop a strong sense of self from the security of feeling genuinely loved, he says, and nothing can replace that.

“Show love to your child, to your spouse in front of your child, to yourself. ... Your child will learn how to love from watching you.”

-Sophia Sboukis

3. Be involved in your child’s life

Time spent with your child is never wasted – and it doesn’t matter what you do together, but how you do it. According to Steinberg, quality time is defined by a state of mind, not a set of activities.

Don’t miss any opportunity to get involved in your child’s interests and academics.

“The strongest and most consistent predictor of children’s mental health, adjustment, happiness and well-being is the level of involvement of their parents in their life,” Steinberg writes.

-Melanie Galambos Young