

# SEPTEMBER

## 4 Day Enrichment Program- Mrs. Kulasa & Mrs. Langlais



### DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday, September 14	Earth Explorers begins
Wednesday, September 16	Special Music begins
Thursday, October 1	Vision Screening
<b>Monday, October 12</b>	<b>CLOSED; Parent/Teacher Conferences (see below)</b>
<b>Tuesday, October 13</b>	<b>CLOSED; Parent/Teacher Conferences (see below)</b>

Dear Parents:

Welcome to Crossroads Preschool 4 Day Enrichment Program! It is hard to believe that summer is over and a new school year begins. We are looking forward to what we hope will be an exciting year for your children.

We will begin our school year with a unit called "Marvelous Me". It will include topics such as my home, my family, my friends, and my feelings.

Since September is "apple" month, a study about apples will conclude our month.

We will begin our mathematics workbook. Some of the concepts we will be working on will include: recognizing like shapes, identifying circles, triangles, rectangles and squares, and identifying and extending patterns.

In reading readiness, we will work on recognizing, writing, and the sounds of the letters Ll, Tt, and Ii.

Please remember to label your child's belongings clearly. Be sure that your child wears safe, rubber soled shoes. Don't forget a BACKPACK LARGE ENOUGH TO HOLD THEIR PAPERS AND ARTWORK.

We will begin Show and Tell in October. In September, we will be getting to know each other as well as getting used to our new classroom routine.

Please feel free to call us with any of your questions or concerns. (412-372-6589)

Sue Kulasa and Jill Langlais

### PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

This year, our staff wanted to find a way to ensure we were connecting with our parents since we don't see everyone as readily at drop off. Conferences felt like a great way to be available to you during these times where we sometimes feel disconnected from our typical lives. This is an option available to you, everyone may want or feel the need to take part and that is ok also.

- Conferences will be 20 minutes in length.
- Times will be filled in half an hour increments, between the hours of 9:00AM to 12:00PM
- You may choose to meet in person or to do a phone conference.
- A conference may be requested by the teacher or the parent.
- Please contact your teachers if you would like to schedule a conference and request the day and time you would like to meet.

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**DONATIONS NEEDED:** We are accepting donations of 3oz plastic drinking cups, Kleenex, disinfecting wipes (or no rinse spray) to help us get started for the year. Thank you.

### **ONLINE PAYMENTS**

If you want to use online billing, please email [preschoolcrossroads@verion.net](mailto:preschoolcrossroads@verion.net) to let us know and we will get you signed up. Thank you

### **EARTH EXPLORERS**

This is a fantastic science class taught by Mrs. Batson, a retired teacher from the Carnegie Museum of Natural History. She developed and taught programs for preschool in a variety of subjects from Biology, Paleontology, and Anthropology. The children have loved this class.

This class meets on Mondays. Cost is \$30/month.

### **SPECIAL MUSIC**

An opportunity to enhance a child's enjoyment and appreciation of music through the use of musical games, dances, rhythm instruments and hand's-on activities. Students explore such areas as pitch, rhythm, tempo, dynamics, mood, meter, note values, timbre, instrumental families and more. This Class meets weekly on Wednesdays. Cost is \$30/month.

### **KIDS IN THE KITCHEN**

This is hands on fun in the kitchen while learning some cooking skills. You can sign your child up by seeing Mrs. Rupchak. It operates the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed. of the month from 1:00-2:30. Of course the kids get to eat what they make! The tuition is paid along with your monthly tuition payment. KDO is available from 11:30-1:00. Cost is \$30/month.

### **KIDS DAY OUT**

Kids Day Out, Toddler Room is available Monday through Friday 9:00-3:00. The cost is \$8/hour. There is a \$20 registration fee for our Preschool families. This is \$10 off of the regular fee. Please call Bridget with your request 412-373-1181. Days and times are already filling ☺

### **PAST TIME PROGRAM**

If you are in need of extending your child's day, you are in luck! This year the PAST Time Program is available from 3:00-5:00pm. The cost is \$10/hour. Each day there is special instruction for the first hour and then your child will have a small snack and structured active learning/play. See Kelley Rupchak if you have questions or would like to enroll.

### **HEALTH REGULATIONS**

Children need to be fever and vomit free for 72 hours. If your child develops a fever or vomits while at school, you will be contacted. Thank you to everyone for being diligent at adhering to the COVID-19 policy and asking questions when you have them.

### **Please make sure that to date you have turned all of the following in:**

1. Immunizations
2. Covid signature page (page10)
3. Waiver of liability
4. 2 months of tuition
5. Security fee \$50(this is different from the registration fee)