
The Children's Center Connection

September 2019

Grandparents Luncheon



Chef Faith plans to prepare a delicious feast of grilled cheese and tomato soup for our Grandparents Luncheon. Grandparents or other significant older adults are invited to join us for lunch on September 9th. A sign up sheet is posted in the office to let Chef Faith know how much food to prepare. After lunch, grandparents are welcome to visit the Book Fair with the children. Guests are asked to meet second floor children at 11:45 in the Muscle Room. Children on the first floor can be met in their classrooms and grandparents can take the children to lunch downstairs. We look forward to spending time with the extended family!



Important Dates To Remember

September 2
Labor Day
Center Closed

September 9
Grandparents Luncheon

September 9-13
Book Fair

October 11
Harvest Fest



October 12
Making Strides
Walking with Faith

Fall Book Fair

The center is very excited about our upcoming Book Fair. An amazing selection of books is headed our way! Mark your calendar for our Grandparents Day, too, where they can join in the fun. Flyers will be available in the children's cubbies by September 4th. Feel free to browse and buy September 9th-13th in the first floor hallway.

You may like to contribute books to your child's classroom library. Teacher "Wish List" books will be marked with sticky notes. If you choose to purchase and donate a book(s) for your child's classroom, please bring the item(s) to the office so we can affix a label plate to the book to acknowledge your generosity. The Book Fair is our primary way of replenishing books for the center. Your support is appreciated.

Fruit of the Spirit

This year our Play and Praise time will focus on the Fruit of the Spirit. Galatians 5:22-23 tells us that the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. A different characteristic of the fruit of the Spirit will be featured each month through child friendly activities and stories. Each month we will share the focus fruit of the Spirit in the center newsletter, along with ideas for further exploration at home. The bulletin board, located in the Wheaton stairwell, will showcase the fruit of the Spirit in action.

September begins with LOVE. Children will learn they were created to love God and love others. Our Bible verse is 1 John 4:19, "We love because He first loved us". Our Bible story comes from the book of Mark, where Jesus welcomes the children. One of the fun activities is making strawberry popsicles.

Talk with your child about how love can be shown through our actions. Everyday opportunities such as helping with a chore, taking cookies to a neighbor or giving cold water to the letter carrier are all examples of what the fruit of the Spirit looks like in real life.

Is My Child Too Sick for Childcare?

The beginning of the school year brings many children, and the germs they carry, back to the center. Common childhood illnesses are often more prevalent at this time.

Children will be sent home if they have the following symptoms: vomiting, diarrhea, severe coughing, difficult or rapid breathing, conjunctivitis, yellowish skin or eyes, stiff neck, unusually dark urine and/or white-gray stool, undiagnosed rash or infected skin patch. Children are not sent home with a low-grade fever (under 100°) unless accompanied by another symptom. Often the teachers will call to let you know that your child is not feeling well. The child is observed for worsening symptoms. When your child is sent home, he must remain out of the center until symptom-free for 24 hours (without the use of fever reducing medication.) If your child becomes ill at 2 p.m. Tuesday, then he may not attend care on Wednesday. A child may return after a doctor determines in writing that the child's illness is not contagious. Again, the child needs to be symptom free for 24 hours.

Three questions to consider when determining if you should keep your child home are: Does the illness prevent my child from participating comfortably in the daily activities? Does the illness make my child have a greater need for care than the teachers can manage without compromise to the care of the other children in the group? Does my child have a condition that is likely to expose others to a communicable disease? A "yes" response to any of these questions indicates that you should keep your child home.

Thank you for keeping all of us at the center healthy and all the parents working.



Rock of Faith is an annual fundraiser that benefits recovery centers in Northeast Ohio. This year's proceeds will help the Stella Maris program. Join us for this musical event which features songs by Avril Lavigne, Sam Smith, Pink Floyd, Larkin Poe, Queen Dobie Gray, the Eagles and more!

A TRANSFORMATION OF THE SOUL:
A JOURNEY FROM ADDICTION TO RECOVERY TOLD
THROUGH SECULAR MUSIC

ROCK OF FAITH

SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2019

A white electric guitar is the central focus, surrounded by a vibrant, swirling aura of red and orange flames on the left and blue, ethereal energy on the right.

6PM APPETIZERS & SILENT AUCTION
7PM CONCERT

TICKETS
\$20 ADULTS \$15 SENIORS \$10 STUDENTS

3630 FAIRMOUNT BLVD
SHAKER HEIGHTS, OH 44118

Stella Maris 23bell

The dates for picture days have changed. Photos are scheduled for November 4, 5 and 6. Look for more information in the October newsletter.

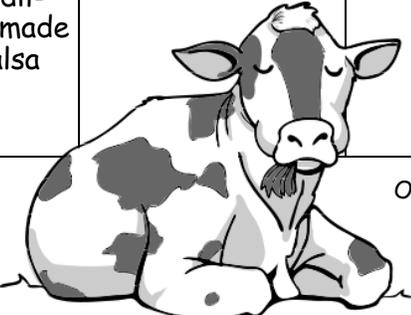


Tuition Reminder

The new tuition rates go into effect 9/2/19. Statements with your new rate were distributed at the end of August. The annual \$50 registration fee was also billed. This fee does not apply to those who paid the \$100 registration fee for the summer. If you pay online, be sure to change your Vanco payment as it does not automatically change.



September Lunch Menu

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
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| 2 CENTER CLOSED | 3 Chicken pot stickers, mixed veggies and melon | 4 Beef stroganoff and pasta, green beans and melon <i>Dinner: Ravioli w/ pesto or red sauce</i> | 5 Brown rice w/ ground chicken, green beans and oranges | 6 VIP EVERETT Chicken patty on a wheat bun, apples and carrots |
| 9 Grandparents Day!! Grilled cheese, tomato soup and melon | 10 Cheese burger cup (ground chicken), home made bread, salad and oranges | 11 VEGETARIAN Polenta, chili casserole, w/ beans, mixed veggies, and melon <i>Dinner: street taco or kids taco</i> | 12 VIP KAITLIN Turkey and rice, corn and grapes | 13 Goulash, w/ ground beef, wheat pasta, and Carmelina sauce, peas and melon |
| 16 Ham and cheese pasta, wheat pasta, all natural ham, cheddar cheese, peas and melon | 17 Hamburger noodle soup, carrots and apples | 18 Pizza parlor pasta, w/wheat pasta, Carmelina sauce, chicken sausage, fresh cucumber, & melon <i>Dinner: Soup and Sandwich</i> | 19 VIP JACKSON Mac and cheese, grapes and carrots | 20 Sloppy joes on a wheat bun, green beans and oranges |
| 23 Chicken fritters, mashed potatoes, green peas and melon | 24 Cheese ravioli, Carmelina sauce, green beans and oranges | 25 Build your own salad, chicken, cheddar cheese, cracker and apples <i>Dinner : sloppy Joes</i> | 26 VIP CECILIA Cheese pizza, honey dew melon and carrots | 27 Chicken patty sandwich on a wheat bun, corn and apples |
| 30 Grilled cheddar cheese quesadillas, w/ home made black bean salsa and apples |  | | | |

Organic skim milk is served with lunch for children 2 years and older.

Organic whole milk is served to children under 24 months of age.

Menu is subject to change.