

Newsletter

Great Beginnings Christian Child Care Center

From the Director's Desk....

Happy September!! Welcome to the Fall Program. This is such a full month! We have a few children moving up to new classrooms at each age level, which is always exciting. And a few new families too—Welcome! Everyone seems to be adjusting well. Here are some of the other big September events:

September 13 & 20—SVSU Nursing students visit us so they can learn more about working with young children.

September 19—Music Class with Mrs. Deanna begins for Toddlers and Preschool.

Young Infants

Greetings from the Young Infants! It's a busy time at Great Beginnings, many of our friends throughout the center are transitioning to their older classes. It can be an exciting time for each age group, each class offers many new adventures for their growing minds to explore. Our friend Lorenzo will say goodbye to his younger friends and



She charges \$28 per child for the 10 classes. You can just add this to your next tuition check.

Cookie Dough Fundraiser will begin with orders due Oct. 2 and delivery the week of Oct. 20, just in time for all of your holiday parties!

transition to the older infant room where he can play with friends closer to his age. We will miss him but I know he will have lots of fun in his new class. We recently welcomed the Beiser family and their little angel Brielle. She is a

Amy Bartlett

September 24—Picture Day with Lifetouch Photography, the same company we have been using for years. They always do a nice job with our little ones.

The picture proofs will be done a little differently this year, so watch your cubbies for more information. You will have the pictures in time for the holidays as usual.

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Miss Jenny

wonderful addition to our class. Until next month God Bless...



Older Infant

Welcome to the New Friends!

We have new friends who started in our room in August. We welcome back Tucker from summer break. We welcome Batool and her family to our classroom and program. We will also welcome Lorenzo and Charlotte from the younger infant room. I'm confident our older friends Wyatt, Everett, Brynn and Wesley will show them the ropes.

Sign In and Out

It is extremely important to sign your child in and out every day. This is a State of Michigan requirement. While you are looking at the in/out sheet you can also see if notices have been posted.

Themes for September

This month our theme will be all about "Me & My Family."

Arrivals and Separation

It's remarkable how sensitive children are to our moods. Tiny babies can tell when Mom is upset, and often will start to fuss. Young toddlers may act out or become clingy if their parents seem unhappy or upset. So the tone you set for saying goodbye will influence whether your child clutches and wails, or runs off happily to play. Smile and speak with a positive inflection, no matter how sad you feel inside. (Easier said than done I know.) Objects carry power. For infants a pacifier and a

Miss Ann

blanket, or lovey or special toy can provide a sense of home and security. These objects help your child self-soothe and regulate their emotions throughout the day. It's important not to linger when your child is having a hard time separating. If you prolong the goodbye based on how much they cry or scream you can guarantee that tomorrow it will be harder and longer. Sure, give an extra big hug and kiss when your child's upset, but then detach yourself and give a smiling goodbye. It's okay to dawdle in the hallway until you hear the cries subside.

Have a great month!



Toddlers

I know Fall is a few weeks away, but it already feels like it has arrived. The cool nights, and its dark when I leave for work in the morning now, those are just a couple of signs that Autumn is letting us know its coming and then winter follows and I for one am not ready for that season! I hope you all had a wonderful Labor Day weekend, and that you got to do some fun and relaxing activities.

This month of September, we say "see you later, gator" to Mackenzie as she moves up to the 3 year old room. We

say welcome to Todderville, to Ava and Jailyn, from the Older Infant room. They will be joining the ranks of the terrific toddlers.

This month we will be learning and discovering all about ourselves and our bodies and our world. Please bring in a picture of you and your family that you won't mind if we post it in the classroom.

As the days get a little cooler, you may want to add some pants and a light jacket to your child's cubby, you may

Miss De

also want to keep a pair of shorts available just in case it warms up in the afternoon. I hope you all enjoy this next season, the pumpkin farms and apple orchards will be opening up soon and they are always enjoyable to visit.

Happy Fall!!!



Threes

Welcome to the Fall Program! Most of our group have been together all summer so we only have a few changes this Fall! Our friends Abe and James have joined the four year old room with Ms. Heidi. I know that they will both have an AWESOME fun filled year and will really enjoy all that it offers! You both will be missed by teachers and friends in the threes. We welcome back to our room Charli, Jillian and Aleeah. They all stayed home all summer and are returning to be a part of our group! ☺

We are so glad that you are all a part of our class. We said goodbye to our good friend Brittney Minkler a few months ago. She is off to another school while her big sister Kylie starts Kindergarten.

During the month of September we

will be spending our time getting to know ourselves with the theme “Me, I Am Special”. The weeks will continue with “Getting to Know our Family and Friends”. Please bring in a family picture or two that we can use to display in the room within the next few weeks. We like to keep them up all year so that the children can have them to look at and share with us who is a part of their family.

The friends will help to discover the color of everyone's eyes, their hair color and which color occurs has the most in their class.

We will also talk about the months of the year and find out when everyone's birthday is in our room.

Fall is such a beautiful time of year!

Miss Di

The leaves are just beginning to change, apple orchards and pumpkin patches are getting ready for visitors and the weather is a bit cooler but enjoyable.

Take the time to enjoy the season of Fall while you can and be thankful for all the marvelous things that God created to be a part of it.

Happy September Birthdays
and God's Blessings!!

Aleeah—Sept. 5

Caleb—Sept. 11

Jillian—Sept. 24

Happy Fall
Miss Di

Fours

I want to WELCOME all the new friends and returning friends also! We are going to have so much fun!

September is one of my favorite months! I have many fun activities planned that include all sorts of Fall concepts... apple harvest, fall leaves, colors of Fall, hibernation, migration, etc. We will also be taking one letter a week and focusing on the look and sound of that letter. We will be basing our phonics on the “A Beka” curriculum's technique and the emphasis on the vowels. Our letter weeks in September will cover Aa, Bb, Cc, and Dd. We'll begin our fall poetry with “Falling Leaves” and “Grey Squirrel.”



In Math we'll be working with patterning (at least 2 or 3 part patterns). Sorting, numbers 1-10 and temperature. Many Fall Art projects will also be enjoyed and appreciated. Various seasonal concepts will also be woven throughout each week with our math, science, and social studies activities. FUN, FUN to come! If you ever have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to stop or call.

Thank you to Hailey and her family for donating art supplies and classroom supplies. Always enjoyed and appreciated!!

Happy Birthday to Emma!

Happy Birthday to Kian!

Happy Birthday to Hailey!

Miss Heidi

