



November Newsletter

M/W/F Preschool Class

Preschool officially starts October 1st.

For now, the kids are busy building relationships with each other and with their teachers Bobbi and Sierra. They are also getting used to a new routine in a new space. They seem to be adjusting well and having fun.

T/TH Preschool Class

The enrollment in the M/W/F preschool program has been doing so well that Kachemak Kids will now be offering a

Peer Mentoring Preschool program with mixed ages on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9am-12pm.

The children will be in small groups of 2-3 with older children helping the younger children. Space is available for new students or for those who want to expand into a 5 day preschool program.

October Themes

Autumn
Friendship
Family
Fire Safety

The Creative Classroom

Good Luck Jane! Kachemak Kids' Lead Teacher Jane accepted a position at Homer Middle School as a Special Education Aide. We will be planning a small gathering soon to thank Jane and to wish her luck in all her endeavors.

At this time Sierra is taking the lead in the Creative Classroom with substitutes filling in as needed. We are now interviewing and hiring for 1-2 more teachers.

Upcoming Events

Volunteer Training Session 1 September 30th, 2008 from 630pm-8pm.

Preschool parent(s) are strongly encouraged to attend this session to learn the routine, the location of materials, and teacher expectations while volunteering in the classroom. We will also be making a surprise gift for your child(ren)! This is for parents only and no childcare will be provided. Babes in arms are ok.

Fingerprinting will be done on October 6th and 7th.

This is required of all classroom volunteers. There are two sessions: 8am-930am and 1130am-1pm, in 10 minute increments. Please sign up by the communication folders.

Kachemak Kids is teaming up with Birth Two Three and participating in the **Love and Logic Early Childhood Parenting Class**. Bobbi will be providing childcare and Jan Thoemke will lead the class. Classes start October 16th, every Thursday for five weeks. Space is limited, register at Birth Two Three.

Recipe of the Month

GAK

Combine 2 cups of glue, 1 ½ cups of water, and food coloring (if so desired). In a larger bowl, mix 2 tspns of Borax and 1 cup of hot water. Stir until smooth. Slowly add glue mixture to Borax. It will thicken quickly and be difficult to mix. Mix well and drain off excess water. Let stand for a few minutes, and then pour into a shallow tray. Let dry for 10 minutes. Store Gak in a Ziploc bag, it will keep for 2-3 weeks.

Board News

Tuition rates were voted on at the September board meeting. Look for the new rates that will go into effect November 1st in your mail folder soon.

Reminders to Parents

- We will be going back to our old phone number of 235-2205.
- **Bobbi's office hours** are Tuesday and Thursday from 930am-1130am and 2pm-5pm.
- **Please check your mail folders daily** for any important updates or information. This is the main communication tool between you, the teachers and the board.
- **Please make sure the door is locked** in the hallway leading to the classrooms. This is *very important* for our fire marshal code and licensing.
- Please remember that the church is used for other classes, church business, and quiet activities. **When entering and exiting we are asked to be as quiet as possible.**

October Community Events

- **Beluga Slough Bioblitz at Islands and Oceans**
Saturday September 27th, 8am-2pm
Form or join bioteams like: insect team, bird team, fish team etc. and conduct an all day inventory or animal life in and around Beluga Slough
Call Carmen Field at 226-4659
- **Discover Labs at Islands and Oceans**
1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month 3pm-5pm
October 1st-Crustaceans: crabs and more
October 15th-Bugs: Our creepies and crawlies
Free for all ages

Thank You!

We would like to thank the following for helping Kachemak Kids in their move to the new space:

Volunteers

KK Board and Staff
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Adam Bauer
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