



July 2014

Lighthouse News

Falling for Summer



We would like to congratulate Ms. Kris, in Room 10, for being awarded Teacher of the Year and Miss Lunisha, in Room 15, as the Assistant Teacher of the Year for 2014. Congratulations, ladies! We are extremely proud of all of our staff!

Our summer journey is progressing wonderfully! Each day, the children are learning all about each themed state through art, music, books and of

course, play. Our Vacation Bible School week was awesome! The classes who participated had a blast with the Weird Animals, learning how to trust in Jesus each day. Thank you to Thrivent, to all of our teachers and volunteers for making it such an awesome week!

During the month of July, our fall folders that are given out each year, will be distributed. This folder contains very important information, such as your child's room assignment for this upcoming school year, updated information on the center, an "important dates" notice, and much more. The folder will have a **keep** and **return** side, which will be labeled. Please make sure the forms on the return side are completely filled out and returned to the front office no later than August 1st. All of the forms from the return side are required to be in your child's file, so please be sure to bring them all back. When your papers are returned, we will check for completeness. Please make sure we have all of your correct and updated contact information, including names and numbers of those who are allowed to pick up your children. If you have any questions or comments regarding the fall folders, please see any one at the front office.

Thank you!

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Special Dates of Interest

- July 4th— Center Closed
- July 7th—Fall Folders Ready to go home



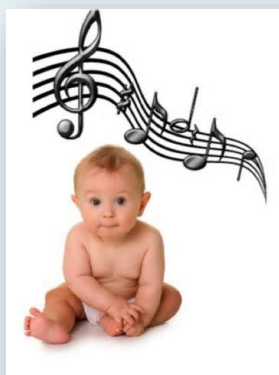
Save the Dates...

June has already come and gone and we have enjoyed so many awesome activities already. July is another exciting month with lots of visitors joining us each week. Our younger classes will enjoy Mr. Richard, Pro Kid Magic Show and Play Ball this month. Our school age children will have fun at Let's Skate, Build A Bear,

the Mascot Games and more! Please check the information board near the touch screen for departure times and important information for each field trip. We appreciate all of our families arriving on time for the field trips, so far. We hope all of our Lighthouse families are having a fun summer!

***Please remember we are CLOSED on Friday, July 4th!
Have a safe and Happy Fourth of July!***

Where is Baby?



Infants - Rooms 1, 2, 3 & 4

Theme: Inside & Outside

Color: Red, White & Blue

Shape: Octagon

Baby Sign: Hurt

Nursery Rhyme: Three Blind Mice

Song: Where is Baby

For the month of July, we will be focusing on the concept of "Inside and Outside". We will do some fun activities and crafts, plus learn the baby signs for "inside" and "outside". This is also something our babies can learn at home with their parents and siblings, too. It is a great way to reinforce what they are taught at school. Have fun!

Remember to check the calendar for any special and important events. We will be closed on Friday, July 4th.

Also, please remember to label each of your child's items, that way they will not get misplaced. This includes pacifiers and all pieces of your child's bottles.

Room 3 and room 4 have water day on Wednesdays, unless otherwise specified in the summer calendar. Please refer to your summer calendar for other special dates. Please bring your child in their swimsuit, along with a towel, water shoes and sunscreen. Please make sure they have an extra set of clothes to change into. Thank you!

Have an excellent month!

Sincerely,

Ms. Tasha, Miss Bibi, Ms. Kelly, Ms. Bibi, Ms. Danielle & Miss Becky





Independence Day, commonly known as the 4th of July. Declaration of Independence July 4, 1776

Toddlers - Rooms 11 & 12

Theme: Water

Color: Red, White & Blue

Shape: Octagon

Baby Sign: Hurt

Nursery Rhyme: Three Blind Mice

Song: Where is Baby

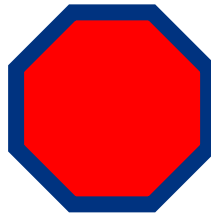
The summer heat is already here . If you would like to bring a hat for your child to wear during our outside time, please feel free!

This month is full of activities, such as water days, magic show, Play Ball and much more!

A couple reminders :

- **Please bring your child in already dressed in their swimsuit with water shoes on Water Day, which is Wednesday, unless otherwise specified in the summer calendar.**
- **Please bring a towel, sunscreen, a change of clothes and a change of shoes on Water Day. Oh, and don't forget to label everything!**
- **Please check your child's folder on a daily basis. Also, please make sure to take all sheets and blankets home to wash every Friday and return them on Monday.**
- **We will be closed on Friday, July 4th.**

Miss Ms. Lourdes, Ms. April, Ms. Janice & Miss Melanie



Independence Day

Background

During the American Revolution, the legal separation of the Thirteen Colonies from Great Britain occurred on July 2, 1776, when the Second Continental Congress voted to approve a resolution of independence that had been proposed in June by Richard Henry Lee of Virginia declaring the United States independent from Great Britain. After voting for independence, Congress turned its attention to the Declaration of Independence, a statement explaining this decision, which had been prepared by a Committee of Five, with Thomas Jefferson as its principal author. Congress debated and revised the wording of the Declaration, finally approving it on July 4. A day earlier, John Adams had written to his wife Abigail:

The second day of July, 1776, will be the most memorable epoch in the history of America. I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. It ought to be commemorated as the day of deliverance, by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires, and illuminations, from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward forever more.

Adams's prediction was off by two days. From the outset, Americans celebrated independence on July 4, the date shown on the much-publicized Declaration of Independence, rather than on July 2, the date the resolution of independence was approved in a closed session of Congress.

Historians have long disputed whether Congress actually signed the Declaration of Independence on July 4, even though Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, and Benjamin Franklin all later wrote that they had signed it on that day. Most historians have concluded that the Declaration was signed nearly a month after its adoption, on August 2, 1776, and not on July 4 as is commonly believed.

In a remarkable coincidence, both John Adams and Thomas Jefferson, the only signers of the Declaration of Independence later to serve as Presidents of the United States, died on the same day: July 4, 1826, which was the 50th anniversary of the Declaration. Although not a signer of the Declaration of Independence, but another Founding Father who became a President, James Monroe, died on July 4, 1831, thus becoming the third President in a row who died on this memorable day. Calvin Coolidge, the 30th President, was born on July 4, 1872, and, so far, is the only President to have been born on Independence Day.

2's - Rooms 5 & 13

Summer Themes: Idaho, New, York, New Mexico & Oregon

Our two year old classes are having a ball learning all about the different states! Last month, the children learned about Hawaii, enjoyed the bounces house and Play Ball and much more! They had lots of learning fun talking about North Carolina and Washington D.C.. In July, the two's will be learning about New York, New Mexico and Oregon. They will continue to use arts and crafts, numbers and letters and music and movement to learn about these great states.

We are closed on Friday, July 4th. Our water days are listed on the summer calendar, so

please bring all the necessary items for those fun days. We have Mr. Richards, bounce houses, Pro Kid Magic Show and Play Ball coming to visit us this month.

Ms. Tracy, Miss Amanda J., Miss Dianemarie & Miss Tiffany



3's - Rooms 14, 15 & 16

Summer Themes: Idaho, New York, New Mexico & Oregon

The kids had so much fun during Vacation Bible School last month! They learned all about how to serve others. They enjoyed going from class to class doing different projects, learning new songs and stories from the bible. Way to go, everyone for a fantastic week!

Our three year old classes are having a ball learning all about the different states! Last month, the children made paper airplanes, enjoyed the bounce house and water days. They had lots of fun talking about Hawaii and North Carolina. In July, the three's will be learning about New York, Idaho, New Mexico and Oregon. They will continue to use arts and crafts, numbers and letters and music and movement to learn about these great states.

We are closed on Friday, July 4th. Our water days are listed on the summer calendar, so please bring all the necessary items for those fun days. We have Mr. Richards, Bounce Houses, a Magician and Playball coming to visit us this month. If you have any questions, please let us know! If you need a sunscreen permission form, please see the front office. Have a wonderful fourth of July weekend!

Sincerely,

Ms. Amanda T., Ms. Heather, Miss Lunisha & Ms. Kim



4's/VPK - Rooms 10, 6, 7, 8 & 9

Summer Themes : Idaho, New York, New Mexico & Oregon

The kids had so much fun during Vacation Bible School last month! They learned all about God's love and His promise to always be with us. They enjoyed going from class to class doing different projects, learning new songs and stories from the bible. Way to go, everyone, for an awesome week!

Our four year old classes are having a ball learning all about the different states! Last month, the children made paper airplanes, talked about race cars & learned about the Hula. They had lots of learning fun talking about Washington D.C. and Hawaii. In July, the kids will be learning about Idaho, New York, New Mexico and Oregon. They will continue to use arts and crafts, review of numbers and letters and science & discovery to learn about these great states. Please check our summer calendar for your scheduled water days.

Our center is closed on Friday, July 4th.

Ms. Dionne, Ms. Christina W., Ms. Sue, Ms. Sheryl, Ms. Kris & Miss Katherine S.

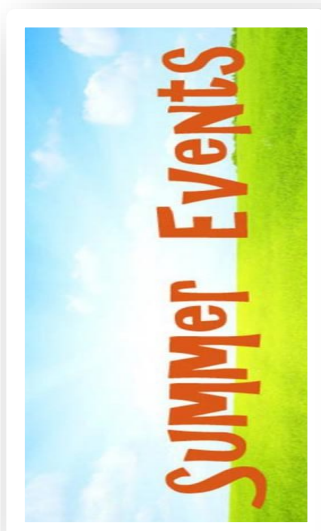


Idaho
New York
New Mexico
Oregon



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Summer Calendar for July



July 2014					
	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
		1 Water Day Rm: 9, 10, 12 & 14	2 Fire Engine Two's Four's & VPK's Water Day Rm: 3, 4, 5, 11 & 12	3 Water Day Rm: 15, 16, 6 & 7	4 CLOSED
Idaho	7 Twin Tiger Ice Cream	8 Mr. Richard	9 Water Day Rm: 3, 4, 5, 11 & 12	10 Water Day Rm: 15, 16, 6 & 7	11 Water Day Rm: 9, 10, 13 & 14
New York	14 Bounce House Twin Tiger Ice Cream	15 Water Day Rm: 9, 10, 13 & 14	16 Water Day Rm: 3, 4, 5, 11 & 12	17 Water Day Rm: 15, 16, 6 & 7	18 A Dolly's World
New Mexico	21 Twin Tiger Ice Cream	22 Water Day Rm: 3, 4, 5, 11 & 12	23 PLAY BALL	24 Water Day Rm: 15, 16, 6 & 7	25 Water Day Rm: 9, 10, 13 & 14
Oregon	28 Twin Tiger Ice Cream	29 Water Day Rm: 3, 4, 5, 11 & 12	30 Pro Kid Magic Show	31	

Rooms: 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16

July 2014					
	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
		1 Fire Station 22	2 W.O. Five Cinema	3	4 CLOSED
Idaho	7 Twin Tiger Ice Cream Water Day	8 Publix	9	10	11 Chocolate Kingdom
New York	14 Twin Tiger Ice Cream Baseball Game	15 Water Day	16	17 Build A Bear	18 Legoland
New Mexico	21 Twin Tiger Ice Cream Let's Skate	22 Water Day	23 Oakland Nature Preserve	24	25 Mascot Games
Oregon	28 Twin Tiger Ice Cream Water Day	29 Stevi B's Pizza Tour	30 Pro Kids Magic Show	31	

Room 8

July 2014					
	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
		1	2 West Orange Five	3 Fire Station 22	4 CLOSED
Idaho	7 Twin Tiger Ice Cream Water Day	8	9 Publix	10 Chocolate Kingdom	11
New York	14 Twin Tiger Ice Cream Baseball Game	15 Legoland	16 Build A Bear	17 Water Day	18
New Mexico	21 Twin Tiger Ice Cream Water Day	22 Let's Skate	23	24 Oakland Nature Preserve	25 Mascot Games
Oregon	28 Water Day Stevi B's Pizza Tour	29	30 Pro Kid Magic Show	31	

Room 17

Schoolers - Rooms 8 & 17

Summer Themes: Idaho, New York, New Mexico & Oregon

The kids had so much fun during Vacation Bible School last month! They learned all about how God is with us, even when we don't understand why something is happening. They enjoyed going from class to class doing different projects, learning new songs and stories from the bible. Way to go, everyone !

Our school age classes are having a ball learning all about the different states! Last month, the kids went on some pretty cool field trips. They had lots of fun talking about Hawaii and Washington D.C. In July, they will be learning about Idaho, New York, New Mexico and Oregon. They will continue to use arts and crafts, reading, group discussions and science & discovery to learn about these great states. Water days are on Fridays, so please come prepared. Make sure to check with your child's class to be prepared for

all upcoming field trips.

On field trip days, make sure you wear your field trip shirt, bring sunscreen and a water bottle, if needed.

We are closed on Friday, July 4th. Thank you!

Miss Jennifer, Miss Katherine N. & Miss Erica

Have a wonderful fourth of July weekend!



"Our summer journey has begun!"



Looks who's celebrating!!

Happy July Birthday to...

BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

Kai M. - 7/1 - 5
Hailey A. - 7/1 - 2
Zachary M - 7/3 - 8
Braxton P. - 7/3 - 5
Kaylyn K. - 7/4 - 5
Sydney S. - 7/6 - 5
Aaliyah A. - 7/9 - 1
Rick A. - 7/9 - 5
Lexa D. - 7/10 - 4
Cydney J. - 7/11 - 2
Christopher S - 7/13 - 4
Destiny S. - 7/14 - 1
Evan B. - 7/16 - 2
Dominic F. - 7/17 - 2
Pierce R. - 7/18 - 4
Rafael R. - 7/19 - 4
Carter R. - 7/20 - 4
Gabriel M. - 7/20 - 7
Victoria C. - 7/21 - 7
Riley M. - 7/27 - 2
Paige B. - 7/28 - 5
Connor W. - 7/28 - 5
Gabriella A. - 7/28 - 6
Cole M. - 7/31 - 4

Teacher's Birthdays & Anniversaries

Happy June Teacher Birthdays to...

Ms. Maria, 7/2, Ms. Bibi, 7/16, Miss Lunisha, 7/19, & Ms. Sue, 7/24,
Ms. Janice, 7/30

Happy Staff Anniversary to...

Ms. Amanda, 6 yrs., Ms. Carmen, 6 yrs., Miss Andrea, 5 yrs., & Miss
Katherine S., 2 years

Character Development: Independence

Childrens Lighthouse

Our mission at Childrens Lighthouse is to provide safe, quality, loving care and educational services. We aspire to promote the positive development of young children in all areas of growth including social, emotional, intellectual, physical, and creative. We commit to the most comprehensive educational materials available. Childrens Lighthouse offers a nurturing environment designed to foster security and happiness. Our staff is dedicated to giving parents "peace of mind."

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