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SEPTEMBER 2025 Newsletter



ELCOME from the Preschool Office

Hello preschool families! We are so excited to start this new school year! It is nice to have a break, but it is far too quiet over the summer without our families here! We pray that your summer was filled with fun, rest, and meaningful family time. As we begin this new season, we're looking forward to seeing returning faces and meeting new ones. What a blessing it is to partner with you in helping your children grow in faith, love, and learning.

Mount Olive Christian Preschool is growing too! We have had a busy summer and you may notice some new faces here! We would like to welcome Mrs. Meg and Mrs. Steffany to our school! Mrs. Meg will be working with Mrs. Kari on M/W/TH and Mrs. Steffany will be working with Mrs. Karen on M/W/TH. They both have so much to offer and we are excited to have them here!

Whether you are new to our program or a returning student we are looking forward to a year where your child will be spiritually, socially, and emotionally ready for each step in learning while wrapped in the love of Jesus. We look forward to working with parents/guardians and establishing positive relationships!

Cari Schommer Director

EXTENDED CARE

EXTENDED CARE (before and after school care) is offered as early as 7:30 AM and runs until 4:00 PM on school days. You can pick and choose your dates and time for care of your preschooler. For more information, please contact the school office **763-421-9048**.



OUR THEME THIS YEAR IS THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

"...the fruit of the Spirit is LOVE, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control"

Galatians 5:22-23

The fruit of the spirit are nine qualities that are believed to be produced in a person's life when they are guided by the Holy Spirit.

The month of September we will be focusing on "LOVE":

A selfless, unconditional love for others.

BACK TO SCHOOL TIPS FOR A SMOOTH TRANSITION

Talk about it-Start talking about preschool and some of the little things that might change in their daily routine.

Exposure - Watch a show that talks about your child's favorite character starting preschool. If your child has trouble with separation, come up with a catchy phrase such as "See you later alligator, after while crocodile" and practice at home.

Routine– Establish a morning routine to help your child be in the habit for when school starts.

Make it fun - Plan on going to orientation to meet your child's teacher and see the classroom. Celebrate this big milestone with a fun treat afterwards.

Upcoming Dates:

Oct 7 Parent Night (5:00-6:30)

Oct 16-21 NO SCHOOL (MEA)

Fire Safety Week-

During Fire Safety Week we talk about what to do if there is a fire at school or at home. We may have a visit from Fire Fighters and a Fire Engine (if there is not an emergency where they are needed!) on Tuesday, September 9th at 10am. We will have a fire drill at school too. Talking about fires may raise some concerns and fears.

School Pictures-

On Monday, September 22nd, our Teacher, Miss Jolie will be taking school pictures. Come to school with your best smile! We will not do any messy art projects or go outside to play this school day.

Looking ahead!

Eveland Farm Field Trip

-Friday, October 3rd.
(Parent Chaperones must meet us at the Farm instead of riding the bus.)
More info to come!



CHAPEL- Blessing of the Backpacks!

You are welcome to join us during our chapel time each month. Children are dropped off in their classrooms and parents (family and friends are invited too!) head down to the sanctuary to grab a seat. As we arrive, children may sit with their parents. Each chapel typically lasts around 20 minutes. After chapel we say goodbye to any guests that were able to join us and go back to our classroom. Each month we will send home a small offering pouch that you may send back with offering money if you wish. Our first Chapel is on Friday, September 12th at 9:30am. There will also be a Coffee Connect before chapel for parents to grab a coffee and visit with other parents before chapel begins.



Talking With Your Child About Art

Each day we will create, examine and reflect on our art work. Each creation may be an expression of their feelings or a sensory experience where they try mixing colors with their hands (or both at the same time!) As adults, we may look at art as needing to look like something, but in our classroom, we value the process! There may be art projects that we provide where we will focus on the outcome (parent gifts for example), but the majority of our art projects will be process art! This means that the child will get to choose how much paint they use, if they will mix all the colors together, or if they want to make a few more paintings! We do ask that each child give art a try. We have found that once a child realizes that their project will be their own creation, they are much more willing to participate! When talking with your child about their creations, it is best not to judge their art or offer correction. Instead, try to comment on their effort and notice any patterns, colors, shapes or textures. Your child's art work will be unique, empowering, child-directed, and often may be unrecognizable! As we are talking about the many ways that God has made each of us unique and special, art is a wonderful way to showcase those amazing, creative differences and celebrate each child's artistic gifts! We try to offer at least one art project per school day (and many days there will be two!) so you will be able to see many examples of your child's creativity!

Jesus Time and Bible Memory Verse this Month-



We will have Jesus Time each day during the school day! We will read the Bible together, pray for each other, and worship Jesus with praise songs. Each month we will focus on a Bible Verse too. In September we will be reading about Creation and Adam and Eve. We will also read the Bible story about Jesus and the Little Children.

Snack Prayer for September: "Johnny Appleseed Prayer" Oh, the Lord's been good to me, and so I thank the Lord for giving me the things I need, the sun and the rain and the apple seed. The Lord's been good to me! Amen, amen, amen, amen AHHHHH-men!