

# KKCC NEWSLETTER



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**INDEPENDENCE DAY!**

"Let every nation know, whether it wishes us well or ill, we shall pay any price, bear any burden, meet any hardship, support any friend, oppose any foe, to assure the survival and success of liberty."  
*President John F. Kennedy  
 (35th President of the United States of America)*

## July 2021

### Upcoming Events

**Independence Day – July 4<sup>th</sup>**  
**Center Closed - July 2<sup>nd</sup> & July 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Class Transition – July 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Summer Program Begins – July 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Summer Program Ends – August 27<sup>th</sup>**

**TUITION EXPRESS DUE DATES**

July 12 <sup>th</sup>	July 26 <sup>th</sup>
August 9 <sup>th</sup>	August 23 <sup>rd</sup>



The mission of Kiddies Kollege Christian Center is to provide a warm, stimulating, safe, affordable, high quality pre-school program that develops the social, emotional, and academic needs of children of the greater Laurel community.

### School Closings

Whenever KKCC is closed because of inclement weather or other emergency circumstances, all parents and staff will be notified by message using the Procure application.



Dayton	Beavers	July 13 <sup>th</sup>
Rosa	Graduate	July 17 <sup>th</sup>
Elizabeth	Beavers	July 20 <sup>th</sup>
Damondre	Beavers	July 21 <sup>st</sup>
Gabriel	Beavers	July 24 <sup>th</sup>
Carter	Beavers	July 25 <sup>th</sup>
Leeham	Beavers	July 29 <sup>th</sup>
Juan D.	Cheetahs	July 29 <sup>th</sup>



### DIRECTOR'S CORNER

At KKCC we strive to develop character, emotional and social growth, and achievement. Since 1947 Kiddies Kollege has continuously risen to this challenge. We are proud to see our graduates excel. One of our biggest joys is hearing the success stories directly from our graduates when they come back to visit.

A challenging, yet highly fulfilling journey has brought us to this point in 2021. Kiddies Kollege has just completed its 74<sup>th</sup> school year of educating preschoolers and preparing them for the next step on their journey to success. As we listened to their aspirations during the graduation ceremony, it was truly rewarding to hear them say, "When I grow up, I want to be a medical doctor! A veterinarian! A police officer! A dancer! A scientist! An astronaut! A teacher! THE President!!" There is little doubt that with continued encouragement and support, they will reach their goals.

Thank you, Parents! Thank you for allowing us to work with you in preparing your children for what lies ahead. Thank You!

**...a fun place to play and learn!**



## THE PANDAS

Ms. George

The Pandas are looking forward to a summer of fun and continued learning. We will practice our handwriting, especially our first and last names. We will review number recognition and counting. The summer session will be a time of reviewing what we have already learned and planning how to use that knowledge to help us as we go forward.

That review will include Bible stories and the Ten Commandments. Emphasis will also be placed on practicing our manners, and most importantly, being respectful of others so that we may in turn be respected by others. With this training, these recent graduates will have a solid base on which to stand their next classrooms.



## THE BEAVERS

Ms. Ndamo & Ms. Katherine

All the glory and thanks to God for bringing us to a safe close of the school year. The children worked very hard and progressed positively. Despite the scares, worries, setbacks, and illness that the corona virus brought to all, we successfully sailed through the year. Our Panda graduates presented a brilliant end of the year graduation ceremony. They are transitioning to new schools where they will confidently attend first grade. We are grateful and appreciative of the wonderful work and sacrifices parents made in support of the education and welfare of their children.

Summer is here and it is time to enjoy more sunshine and brighter weather! We will enjoy outdoor activities and indoor games. Class transition will be on Tuesday, July 6<sup>th</sup>. We are waiting with great excitement to welcome the new Kindergarten students. Thank you, parents for entrusting your children into our care.

We hope to have a wonderful time of fun filled activities.



## THE CHEETAHS

Ms. Martha

Welcome to the month of July parents and Cheetahs! Summer is here, and we're very excited for what the hot weather brings. One of my favorite things about summer is Fourth of July, also known as Independence Day. What I love the most about celebrating the Fourth of July is the fireworks. I remember being a kid and getting lost in the moment while watching the fireworks and watching the excitement on people's faces. I remember my siblings and I running towards the fireworks. As the fireworks got bigger, we would run away screaming in joy. We would do it over and over again. It's crazy how fast time has flown by! But the joyous memories of childhood linger on. Let me share two July fun facts. The first is - According to the National Hot Dog and Sausage and Hot Dog Council (NHDSC), Americans are expected to eat 150 million hot dogs over the July 4th holiday. How many will you enjoy? The second is - According to the American Pyrotechnics Association, Americans spend more than 1 billion dollars on fireworks each year.

This month, I look forward to new students coming into the Cheetahs room and to the exciting new school year that will soon follow. I am anxious to meet my new students. I want you all to feel at ease and to feel welcomed in your new classroom. Get ready to have lots of fun Cheetahs! Get ready to put on your thinking caps, Cheetahs! This month we will explore fun ways to learn about colors, alphabets, shapes, and the numbers 1-20.



“And that story of independence is not something that happens and then we just put away. It's something that we have to fight for every single day. It's something that we have to nurture, and we have to spread the word, and we have to work on. And it involves us respecting each other. ...

“And so on a day like this, we celebrate, we have fun, we marvel at everything that's been done before, but we also have to recommit ourselves to making sure that everybody in this country is free; that everybody has opportunity; that everybody gets a fair shot; that we look after all of our veterans when they come home; that we look after our military families and give them a fair shake; that every child has a good education. ...

“That is what we should be striving for on Independence Day.”

President Barack Obama

July 4, 2016



## THE CHIPMUNKS

Ms. Roberts & Ms. Norris

Summer is here! Children will learn things in a more relaxed, yet interactive environment as they go on a new adventure every week in the Chipmunk classroom.

Our themes for the beginning of summer are “Armor of God,” “I Can Pray,” “Camping,” and “Under the Sea.” As God is the creator everything, we like to introduce the importance of God early in their lives.

This summer will be full of fun adventures and blessings as all things are possible through Christ Jesus who strengthens us!



## THE CATERpillARS

Ms. Chase

A warm welcome to all our new students! It is truly an honor to have you join our Caterpillar family. We look forward to having a wonderful academic year with all of you.

As we enter our summer phase, we will be involved in activities that will enhance our children’s social and interactive skills. Academically, their knowledge will be expanded as we venture into our learning segments based on our weekly themes. Those themes are Friends at Bethany, Jesus Walks on Water, Camping, and Canada. Our summer together will be awesome and well-spent.

We sadly say goodbye to our 2020-2021 Caterpillars, who have emerged into beautiful butterflies. We wish them well in their new classrooms. Parents, a heartfelt “Thank You!” for your support that you have given us throughout the school year. It has been a pleasure caring for your dear little ones.



## THE BUSY BEEZ

Ms. B & Ms. Williams

Greetings Dear Parents,

We thank God for bringing us to the end of the school year! The long-awaited summer is finally here. It is also marking the beginning of our Summer Program. The Busy Beez worked so hard this school year and we are extremely proud of them. Sadly, we must say goodbye to our 2020/2021 students as we welcome the incoming class. Although we are in the process of transition and there are some adjustments we must make here and there, we still intend to “let our hair down” and have some fun before the next school year starts.

Our themes for the month of July are “**VBS (F.R.O.G-fully rely on God)**,” where we will focus on “The Three Hebrew Boys” and Daniel in the Lion’s Den. Our theme for the second week is “**The Fruit of the Spirit.**” The children will learn about the nine “fruits” namely love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. They will learn how they can be developed in our lives through the help of the Holy Spirit. The themes for weeks three and four will be “**Summer**” and “**The Beach.**”

Finally, we would like to extend a special welcome to the new students who will be joining us soon. We look forward to meeting you and your families.

### TIPS FOR PARENTS

#### Notice nonverbal messages.

As much as 3-year-olds may talk, most are not yet able to fully explain how they are feeling or what they are worried about. Your child may “act out” his worry by clinging, becoming withdrawn, or by being more aggressive. Another common reaction as children take a big move forward is to actually move backward in other areas. For example, if your child is fully potty trained, he may start have toileting accidents. He may ask that you feed or dress him even though he can do these things by himself.

It is natural to be frustrated by this regressed behavior, and you may be concerned that if you do these things for him, he won’t go back to doing them himself. In fact, letting him play this out often leads to children returning to their “big kid” selves sooner. Remember that your child is facing—and managing—a big change in his life. He may need more support, nurturing, and patience from you while he makes this transition.

We look forward to an awesome month by the grace of God, amen.

Thank you & God bless!



*“To find yourself....*

*Think for yourself.”*

*Socrates*

*Greek Philosopher*



# THE LITTLE LAMBS

Ms. Patel, Ms. Dinah, & Ms. Victoria

Hello Little Lamb Family! Welcome to July! We have just entered this month, but we are already busy enjoying the fun of the summer program. Transition is exciting for all of us. We especially enjoy welcoming our new friends into the KKCC family.

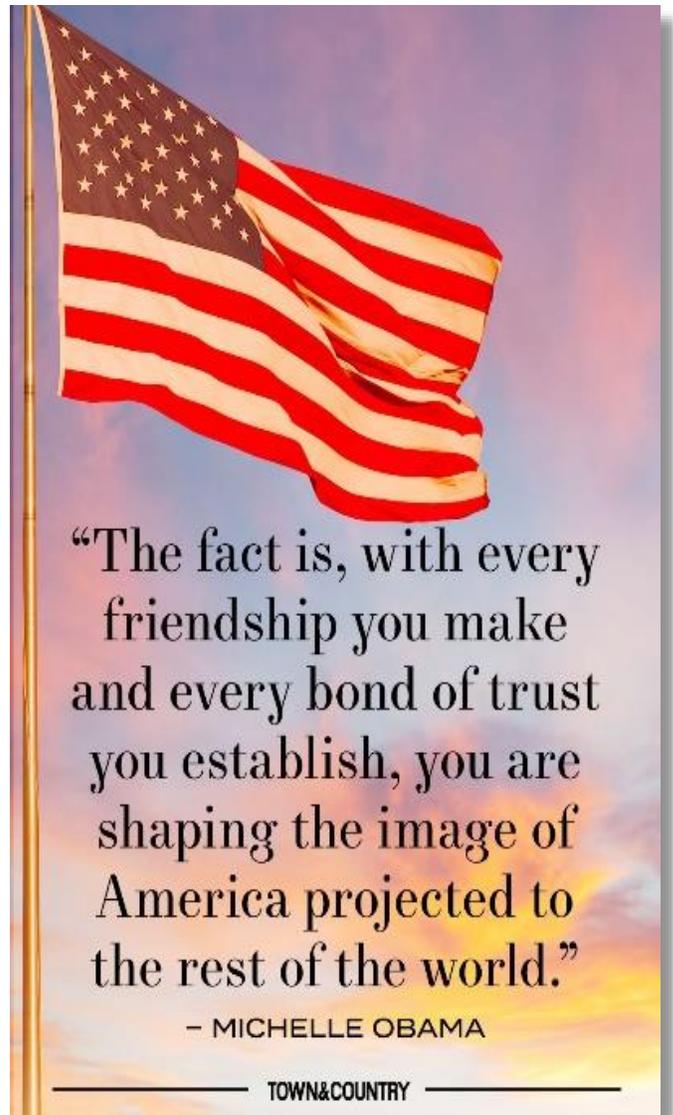
While studying our first theme for July, "Pick a Bible Story," we will all share our favorite Bible story and what we have learned from that story. The "Zoo," our second theme for the month, help the Little Lambs learn a little more about the animals they may see on a visit to the zoo and how to care for those animals. From the zoo, our next theme will take us to the beach. That promises to be a fun trip! We all look forward to our lessons to be learned and the fun we will have while learning them!

As a quick reminder to parents, it is important to put an ice pack in your child's lunch box. For those Little Lambs who are not fully potty trained, please keep an ample supply of pull-ups (Velcro closure) at school. Thank you! Enjoy summer!



## School Reminders

- Keep sick children home from school. If a child complains of not feeling well or shows any signs or symptoms of illness, the parents will be called to pick up the child from school.
- Breakfast is served from 8-8:30 am daily. Children wanting breakfast must be at school no later than 8:00 am.
- School begins at 9:00am each day. Children arriving after 9:00 am will be marked as tardy.
- Because of potential allergic reactions, please do not pack shellfish, nuts, or nut products for lunch.
- Be mindful of choking hazards such as grapes and popcorn when packing lunches for young children.
- Each child must have a lunch box with an ice pack to keep food fresh.
- Lunches that are canned, frozen, or that need to be cooked are not allowed. Use microwavable containers for lunches that need to be heated. Meals must take no longer than two minutes to warm in a microwave.
- Be sure that your child keeps two complete changes of weather-appropriate clothing in his or her classroom.



\*\* For questions, comments, or corrections, contact Ms. Hale. \*\*