

# KIDS FIRST Morritilton

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## CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS



### **Cuddly Room**

July is here and everyone is going on vacation and enjoying the summer fun. Everyone has adjusted to the move to Sacred Heart and will have to adjust to the move to the new building. We don't have specific dates but we will keep you posted. Diana, Marla, and Suzanne have many activities scheduled for the month of July. They will be talking about lakes and rivers. There will be some art activities planned and many other activities. The children are progressing well. Mikki and Anna are starting to babble some. Zae is now on the move. The children progress so much when they attend everyday. We would like to say good bye to Nevaeh. Parents thank you so much for bringing your children every day.

### **Busy Bees**

We are all looking forward to a wonderful Fourth of July and room 2 is celebrating with activities and songs about our flag and talking about the colors red, white, and blue. There's lots to do in summer and we will be doing many pretend activities about fishing, swimming, camping and learning some new finger plays. One of the themes this month will be "All About Me" We'll have activities that let us learn the names of body parts eyes, nose, mouth, ears, hands and feet and naming the clothes we wear. We want to welcome Audriauna, our newest friend, to Room 2.

### **Rainbow Room**

July is already here. The temperatures are warm and the kids are enjoying being outside. The kids have adjusted well to Sacred Heart. They are really enjoying the playground. There are many activities planned for the month of July. We will be talking about oceans, ocean life and rodeo. Janie and Jamie will have lots of exciting activities during this month. All the children are progressing well and have completed their objectives. Paisley is starting to use more words, Logan is also using more words. We would like to welcome Abel to our class. We also said good bye to Genevieve. The temperatures are great be sure to remember to put sun block on your children when they are going to be outside more than 30 minutes. Parents also remember to send your children in closed toed shoes every day. Rainbow Room parents thank you so much for sending your children everyday. Parent we will also be moving to our new building soon not sure on exact dates yet but we will keep you informed.

### **Growing Room**

We are having a great time in our temporary quarters and are very grateful to Sacred Heart for letting us use their buildings. Room 4 is continuing to provide activities that include all the colors. Another theme this month is "Me". How special and unique each one of us are. We'll be talking about how people are the same and different. We'll have plenty of pretend activities to act out who we are and who we want to be. We'll talk about families and how they can be different. This is summer and we have activities and songs about what you can do in the summer. Swimming, fishing, camping are just a few. We are looking forward to moving to our new building in August and our next newsletter will be written at KIDS FIRST

### **The Ramblin' Room**

Room 5 hopes everyone had a safe 4th of July celebration. This summer is speeding along so quickly. We can't wait to get in our new building. We are very appreciative of Mr. Bailey and Sacred Heart for allowing us to use their building. We have certainly enjoyed the big room and the wonderful playground!

This month we will be talking about water safety, camping, and ocean life. If your child has special toys or books that follow these subjects, feel free to send them to share with the class. We are glad to have Hasel and Cole in our room to play and learn with us.

We are working hard on potty training right now. Accidents do happen, though. Please send extra clothes for those times. We like to have at least one change of clothes for those who are in diapers or pull-ups and two or three changes for those in underwear.

### **The Sunshine Room**

Congratulations to our graduates. We missed T.J. and Mario for our graduation ceremony. Hunter, Brooklyn, Bobby, Justin, Tyler, and Aaron did a great job on the songs and poem. We are so proud of them! For the rest of the class, we are doing some fun activities this month.

We will be talking about water safety, camping, and ocean life. This is always a fun time of year. Ms. Stephanie will bring life jackets that we can try on and talk about the importance of being safe in a boat and on the water.

We are in need of extra clothes. Please make sure your child has a change of clothes in case of accidents. Also, if you have any old play clothes that you would like to donate to our class, they would be greatly appreciated.



## Calendar of Events For July

July 6<sup>th</sup> - Chloe Birthday  
 July 7<sup>th</sup> - Jhi Birthday  
 July 13<sup>th</sup> - Ms. Lisa's Birthday  
 July 13<sup>th</sup> - Nutrition  
 July 21<sup>st</sup> - Dr. Ashcraft Clinic  
 July 15<sup>th</sup> - Ms. Phyllis Psychological Examiner  
 July 15<sup>th</sup> - Ke'Aira Birthday  
 July 18<sup>th</sup> - Ms. Stephanie's Birthday  
 July 21<sup>st</sup> - Dr. Ashcraft Clinic  
 July 28<sup>th</sup> - Ms. Jamie's Birthday  
 July 28<sup>th</sup> - Konnar P. Birthday  
 July 28<sup>th</sup> & July 29<sup>th</sup> - Closed due to Moving into our new building.

## Did You Know That...

- ◆ All Behavior is a way to communicate?
- ◆ All behavior that persists is usually working for the child?
- ◆ All problem behavior has a cause and a goal?
- ◆ There is a connection between a child's ability to communicate and challenging behavior?
- ◆ The pattern of behavior is important: not single or isolated events?
- ◆ The best approaches to challenging behavior are ones that:
  - ⇒ Respond to the underlying cause and need for the behavior?
  - ⇒ Use positive approaches?
- ◆ The best way to prevent challenging behavior is to foster children's social and emotional needs and skills?

## Project Nurture

### Nurturing Idea for July

#### Swaddling

Babies can be swaddled as soon as they're born. It makes them feel cozy and warm, like they're "back home". Some babies do fine without swaddling, but the fussier your baby is, the more she'll need to be swaddled. Make sure her swaddling is snugly wrapped so it doesn't loosen during the night. Always check to see if your baby is overheated by checking her ears and fingers. If she's hot, red, and sweaty, she's overwrapped. If she's warm and not sweaty, her temperature is probably perfect. Remember—always put your baby to sleep on her back!



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#### What is Project Nurture?

Project Nurture is KIDS FIRST's Infant Mental Health Program. Our goal is to promote the social and emotional well-being of KIDS FIRST infants, toddlers, and families through secure and nurturing relationships.

