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# 4CCN Newsletter

May 2014

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## May Dates:



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| Wednesday, May 14 | 4CCN Board of Directors Meeting, 12 p.m.      |
| May 19 & May 20   | In-house Field Trip – “Under the Sea”         |
| Monday, May 26    | NO SCHOOL – Memorial Day                      |
| May 28 & May 29   | Last Day of School in the Classrooms          |
| Friday, May 30    | End-of-the-Year Picnic, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. |

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### LAST DAY OF SCHOOL:

The last in-school day of school for the **M/W/F classes is Wednesday, May 28<sup>th</sup>** and the last in school day for the **T/Th classes is Thursday, May 29<sup>th</sup>**.

*The final day of school is Friday, May 30<sup>th</sup> at the all-school picnic.* If you need to reach the school during the summer, please leave a message on the school phone or send an e-mail to Susie at [sostermeyer@verizon.net](mailto:sostermeyer@verizon.net).

### MAY SNACKS:

During the month of May we will be finishing up what we have left! We will serve cookies, crackers, 4CCN trail mix and juice throughout the month.

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING:

On Wednesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> the Board of Directors will meet for the last time this school year. If there is anything you would like discussed, please let a board member know. The board members are Meghan Berger, Jenny Dodd, Julia Evans, Carrie Ewachiw, Erin Nuttal, Ellen Parkhurst, Helen Lyon, Kathy Sampson, Rachel Parkhurst and Susie Ostermeyer.

### LUTHER RICE MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH SUMMER CARNIVAL:

Luther Rice will have their Annual Neighborhood Carnival from Monday, July 14 to Thursday, July 17 from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The carnival will feature a waterslide and splash park, face painting, food and lots of fun! More information will be e-mailed to you over the summer.

### USING THE PLAYGROUND AFTER SCHOOL:

We encourage families to use the playground after school and would like to continue. Please be mindful of the school's rules, which should be followed after school as well.

1. No throwing mulch
2. Go down slide only – do not allow children to run up the slide
3. No jumping off the equipment
4. No climbing the fence
5. Teachers and parents ONLY are allowed to unlock the gate
6. If the sandbox is uncovered, please replace the cover
7. Keep the gate closed
8. Parents need to supervise children at all times
9. Please make sure the gate is locked when the last family leaves

*It is important that we keep the children safe at all times!*

### STAFF CHANGES:

4CCN has been very fortunate to have so many dedicated staff members who have worked with the children for so many years.

**Ellen Perman** will be cutting back her hours from five days per week to Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. **Lisa Hanagan** will be retiring after 20 years with 4CCN! We would like to wish Lisa all the best and we will miss her!

You will be notified as soon as we have made final decisions regarding classroom staffing for next year.

### **OPENINGS AVAILABLE:**

We still have openings available in our T/Th 3-year-old program and 5-day, 4-year-old program. If you know of anyone interested in a program such as 4CCN for the fall, please have them give us a call or send an e-mail.

### **END-OF-THE-YEAR PICNIC:**

The end-of-the year picnic is scheduled for **Friday, May 30<sup>th</sup>**, which is the last day of school. The school building will be closed on this day.

We will have an all-school picnic at **Martin Luther King Jr. Recreational Park** on Jackson Road off New Hampshire Ave. The picnic will be from **10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

*Please bring your own lunch. All parks are trash free so it is the responsibility of each family to take home their own trash. **It is very important that children are supervised at all times!** If it is raining that day, we will have a regular school day at school.*

### **A BIG THANK YOU!**

- ☺ Thank you to everyone who helped apportion snacks this year.
- ☺ Thanks to those who have served as room parents for helping with the BBQ, Ice Cream Social, Picnic & Dine Outs.
- ☺ Thanks to Erin Biro Goldthorpe for helping with the monthly newsletter.
- ☺ Thanks to those parents and teachers for being a part of the Board of Directors.
- ☺ Thanks to Kelly Young & Kelli Lesnak for 2 successful consignment sales.
- ☺ Thanks to those of you who put in your hours for the consignment sale –and those of you who put in extra.
- ☺ Thank you to Jenny Dodd and David Petullo who helped with our flower garden on the playground.
- ☺ Thank you to Alan Russ who photo shopped our class pictures this year.
- ☺ All of you who just happened to be there when we had a small emergency.
- ☺ Jen Ritchotte who coordinated all the Scholastic Book orders.
- ☺ Jasmine Kuzner for another fun year with Little Gym.
- ☺ The great 4CCN staff who worked so hard this year between all the snow days!
- ☺ Thank you for sharing your children with us.
- ☺ Thanks to all of you for being a part of the 4CCN community!

### **ANNUAL SURVEY:**

Our annual survey has moved to the 21<sup>st</sup> century. We no longer have a paper survey! An e-survey will be emailed through Survey Monkey at the end of May. Please take a little time to fill it out. Your input is very important to us!

### **SPRING CONSIGNMENT SALE:**

Thanks to the entire 4CCN community for all of your help in making the sale a huge success. This spring sale was our most successful! We made about \$6,700.00 for the school!

The involvement of every family made it a huge success. Thanks to the Chairpersons, Kelly Young and Kelli Lesnak who put in many hours before, during and after the sale. Their hard work made the sale run smoothly and was key to one of our more successful sales in past years.

Thanks to all of you for volunteering during the week, we could not have the sale without your help. The date for the Fall Consignment Sale is the week of October 20-24, 2014. Reserve your code now and tag all summer long! Tags are available in the office.

### **OUR PHILOSOPHY:**

4CCN strives to give each child a sense of security, a healthy feeling of self-esteem and an enthusiasm for living and learning.

4CCN is a nonprofit, state-licensed program. No child will be discriminated against because of race, color, national and ethnic origin, or disability.

4 Corners Community Nursery provides a safe, warm and loving environment for 2-, 3-, and 4-year-olds with programs that stimulate them socially, emotionally, physically and intellectually.



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