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September 2018 Newsletter

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WELCOME!

to the 2018-2019 school year. We are looking forward to a fun and educational year! We are always excited to see our children grow, develop and interact with new experiences.

SUMMER WRAP UP:

We would like to thank all the teachers and families who were part of Summer Camp 2018! It was a HUGE success. Thank you! We are also bittersweet about our campers going back to school or starting for the first time as kindergarteners. These families will truly be missed, and we look forward to seeing you for Summer Camp in 2019!

With the new school year, please make sure that all paperwork/documents are current in your child's student file. Please let Ms. Jessica or Ms. Kirby know if you have questions.

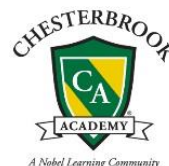
Friendly Reminders:

- Children should wear closed toed shoes
- Home toys are not allowed.
- Outside food is not permitted unless prior arrangements have been made with management
- Please remember to change the season/size of clothes in your child's classroom cubby. Also, bring extra underwear for potty training and in the Pre-K classrooms for accidents.

September

Upcoming Events:

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| 08.28.18 | First Day of School~ New Classrooms for Fall transitions |
| 08.28.18 | Charleston Wrap ~ Fundraiser Kick off |
| 08.31.18 | Soccer Shots Demo 9:30am (no sign up necessary~ classes begin 9.21.18) |
| 09.03.18 | Closed~ Labor Day |
| 09.04.18 | Back-to-School Night~ 5:30pm~ 7:00pm |
| 09.07.18 | Cookie Friday |
| 09.09.18 | National Teddy Bear Day ~ |
| 09.10.18 | National Teddy Bear Day Celebration ~ Wear your pajamas and bring in your favorite teddy bear |
| 09.11.18 | Charleston Wrap ~ Fundraiser Ends |
| 09.13.18 | Joy of Dance~ Ballerina Demo, (no sign up necessary) |
| 09.19.18 | FCPS ~ Released 3 HRS Early |
| 09.20.18 | Joy of Dance ~ starts |
| 09.21.18 | Muffins for Parents |
| 09.21.18 | Soccer Shots Fall Season Starts |
| 09.22.18 | First Day of Autumn |
| 10.02.18 | Charleston Wrap ~ Fundraiser Delivered |
| 10.08.18 | Columbus Day ~ Chesterbrook Open |



Back to School Night & Ice Cream Social

Our back to school night will be Sept 4th from 5:30pm-7pm. This is the perfect opportunity to get to know your child's teachers for the school year. You can also learn more about their daily schedule, pick up a supply list, check out our ancillary programs and check new rates. Please take some time to stop by!

Charleston Fundraiser

On August 28th we will be starting our first community fundraiser of the school year to provide extra spending for the classrooms.

Please feel free to participate but no obligation is necessary. We appreciate the extra support and will be making it worth your while by providing the top sellers (1st and 2nd place) 50% coupon for Lifetouch Pictures in October.

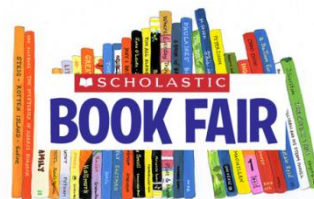


Tuition Reminder

Please remember that tuition is due every Friday for the upcoming week. Payment is considered late Monday at noon. After noon on Monday, a \$25 late fee will be assessed. To avoid the fee, please remember to pay on time. If you have any questions, please refer to the Tuition Agreement.

Scholastic Book Fair

On Tuesday, September 4th through September 11th, we will be participating in a Fall Scholastic Book Fair. The book fair is a wonderful way to raise money while promoting reading. During the sale, we will also have a wish list posted for each classroom for parents who would like to help purchase new books for our classroom libraries. Thank you, as always, for your continued support!



Parking Reminder

Help us keep our parking lot safe!

- ~ Always lock your vehicle, even if you are only running into someplace for a minute.
 - ~ Hide or bring in valuables (e.g., purses, cell phones, wallets) whenever you leave your vehicle. Visible items are an attracter for thieves.
 - ~ If you see anyone suspicious outside, please contact our Chesterbrook Administrative Staff; however, if you believe they are highly suspicious please contact the authorities.
 - ~ Do not leave children unattended in your vehicle.
- Thank you once again for your support in keeping our parking lot safe!

Picture Day!

Bring your child dressed their best on October 18th-19th. We will be turning our AM Preschool room into a picture studio for our Toddlers, Beginners & intermediates on the 18th and PreK1, PreK2 & Am Preschool on September 19th.

Sibling pictures can be either day. Please let us know which day you prefer.

A New Year Begins

It's hard to believe that summer is over and a new school year is upon us. Whether your child is beginning another pre-school program level or entering a new grade, the excitement and questions are similar. What will this new experience bring? Will my child be well prepared? How can I help? Will everything be all right? These are just a few of the many questions parents ask themselves every new school year.

Here are some ways to gain comfort for you and your child:

- Meet with your teacher(s) to understand the program or grade-level expectations for your child.
- Develop an open communications channel so there is nothing left to chance
- Answer all questions your child has about school openly and honestly. If you are not sure of an answer, ask your teacher.
- Encourage your child at every step of the school journey.
- Work closely with your teacher to provide a uniform message and support to your child.
- Talk to your child every day about what he or she did in school.
- If you have concerns, talk to your teacher immediately. The sooner you know the facts, the easier it is to resolve a concern.
- Remember, what you hear in the parking lot, at a birthday party, or on the playing fields is undocumented. Ask your principal about anything that bothers you; he or she will give you appropriate direction.



ANCILLAY PROGRAMS

Ancillary Schedule:

Monday - Stretch-n-Grow (We will show your preschoolers how fun it is to exercise and take care of their bodies. Each week our dynamic instructors will lead them through an energized, kid friendly workout. The class is complete with silly stretches, numerous gross motor skill activities, aerobic games, creative movement and a cool down, all done with lots of silly music) **(Ages 2 & Up)**

Tuesday - Karate Kyle (well-rounded mixed martial arts program that combines exciting instruction with practical, effective techniques. Teaching basic kick-punch-block techniques, your child will develop confidence, hand-eye coordination, and concentration. Uniforms, belts, and belt promotion ceremonies are included) **(Ages 3 & up)**

Thursday - Music For Life - Basic knowledge of fundamental music concepts able to be molded around Links to Learning curriculum with an end of term performance)

Thursday - Joy of Dance (Ballet and Tap Dance outreach program promotes the highest quality of fine art instruction in a loving, caring, and joyous artistic environment. Our fine arts faculty, all masters of their fields, encourage each student to reach their maximum potential in the arts.) **(Ages 2 & up)**

Friday - Soccer Shots (a high-energy program introducing children to fundamental soccer principles, such as using your feet, dribbling and the basic rules of the game. Through fun games, songs and positive reinforcement, children will begin to experience the joy of playing soccer and being active. **(Ages 2 & Up)**

Ancillary Reminder:

Ancillary programs are in full swing starting the week of September 17th! If you are interested in Joy of Dance, Stretch-n-Grow, Kyle's Karate, Music for life or Soccer Shots. If you are interested in enrollment or have questions, please ask Ms. Jessica or Ms. Kirby. We will be billing out all programs the first week of the following month.

*To ensure your child does not miss their program, please have them dropped off by 9:30am on their respective day.



Fall into a Good Book with Your Child
August, 2018 | Topics: [Language & Literacy](#)

Summer is ending soon and fall is right around the corner! Now is a great time to snuggle up with your little one and read books that introduce the seasonal changes to come. Below are some books to get you started.

1. *Baby Loves Fall* by Karen Katz (ages 0-2 years)
Your baby will have a blast exploring fall-themed objects in this lift-the-flap book. Not only will he strengthen his fine motor skills, but he'll also learn seasonal vocabulary like "pumpkins," "leaves" and "acorns."
2. *I Love Fall: A Touch-and-Feel Board Book* by Alison Inches (ages 0-2 years)
This poetic and rhythmic book is sure to bring a smile to your child's face. Encourage him to actively participate in the story by feeling the textured pages.
3. *Mouse's First Fall* by Lauren Thompson (ages 2-4 years)
Your child will enjoy reading this story about Mouse and Minka who go on an adventure. They explore leaves of various colors and shapes. After reading, go outside and ask your child to use words from the story to describe the leaves he sees.
4. *Wonderfall* by Michael Hall (ages 3-5 years)
This whimsical story highlights one tree's transformation from summer to winter. At the end of the book, you'll find a great resource with additional information about how the animals mentioned in the story prepare for colder weather.
5. *Let it Fall* by Maryann Cocca-Leffler (ages 3-5 years)
Your child will enjoy reading about all the fun things he can do during the fall season, including jumping in leaves, going on a hayride and picking apples. After reading, have a discussion about the book and ask him about the types of activities he'd like to do this fall season.
6. *The Little Scarecrow Boy* by Margaret Wise Brown (ages 3-5 years)
Your child will be captivated by this story of a young scarecrow boy who is told by his parents that he's too small to scare any crows. He practices the fierce facial expressions that his father teaches him, and then sets out to prove his parents wrong. After reading, ask your child to make a scary face, a silly face, and a happy face.