

January 2018 Newsletter Little Blessings Preschool

Happy New Year!

Registration for the 2018 -2019 School year begins this month.

Pre-registration forms for the 2018-19 school year will be coming home this week with your child. Due dates are listed on the form.

All Little Blessings program options for both campuses, from Mother's Day Out to Kindergarten Prep, are listed on the form.

Please stop by the office with any questions.

Classroom teaching teams for the 2018-2019 school year will be finalized in May.

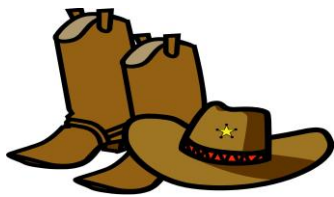
Little Blessings Late Pick up Policy:

We all run a little late sometimes. If you are going to be late picking up your child please give the office a call.

Any child not picked up after five minutes past their designated pick up time will be brought to the office. There will be a \$1.00 per minute late fee assessed after that 5 minutes. After 3 late pick up's beyond 5 minutes you may lose your child's classroom or extended programming slot.

Moms Groups at Parker UMC

Our moms groups are studies especially for mothers of young children. These welcoming groups are for mothers looking for a connection with other mothers, support and growing deeper in their faith. All groups are open and you can join at any time. Contact Noelle Allsion, Director of Children and Families Noelle@ParkerUMC.org for more details.



Western Week Jan 22 - 26

The stock show is in town this month. Classrooms will bring the stock show to life the last week of January through their Western theme. We will have fun activities in the Narthex Wednesday, January 24 & Thursday, January 25 for all classrooms to visit during normal class hours.

- Monday Morning Moms Group**
9:30 – 11:00 Monday Mornings in Room 137
- Tuesday Morning Moms Group**
9:30-11:30 Tuesday Mornings in Room 216
- Sisters of Strength**
Wednesday Mornings from 9:30 – 11:00 in room 216
- Wednesday Evening Moms Group**
6-7 p.m. in the Cry Room Outside the Nursery



Mid-Year Assessments will be sent home with your child by February 1 & 2. Feel free to visit with your teaching team with any questions you might have. Conferences can be scheduled on an as needed basis.

January Important Dates:

- **Professional Development Day: No School**
January 12
- **MLK Day: No School**
January 16

New Family School Information Night
Main Campus -
January 18, 6:00 pm
Plaza Campus -
Open House January 24, 4:30 – 6:00

- **Kindergarten Information meeting**
January 23 & 24 9:15

- **Parent's Night Out**
January 19, 5:30 – 9

- **Western Day Bounce Houses**
January 25 & 26

- **Mid Year Assessments**
February 1 & 2



Please use caution entering and exiting the parking lot. Parker United Methodist has a narrow parking lot, making it difficult to see children getting out of cars to come to school.

To help keep our building as safe and secure as possible, our lower level (west side) doors will only be unlocked from 8:45 – 9:15 for drop off and 11:15 & 11:45 for pick up. For all other pick up times please enter via the upper level (east side) preschool entrance.



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Choosing a Preschool or Childcare Center

- **Before You Go ask yourself:**
 - “What kind of childcare or school environment am I looking for?”
- **After you arrive:**
 - Consider if this school is a good fit for your child
 - Spend time observing
 - What is the educational philosophy?
 - How large are the classes and what is the teacher child ratio?
 - What is the look and feel of the school?
 - Is the atmosphere exciting?
 - What kind of activities are the children doing?
 - What is the focus on reading?
 - Are the children working all together or individually?
 - How much do the children play?
 - Is the space safe; are there emergency procedures in place?
 - How do parents get involved in the school?

For more tips on choosing a preschool visit:

<http://www.pbs.org/parents/education/going-to-school/choosing/preschool/>