

Mixed Bag Designs Fundraiser Coming Soon!

Our Mixed Bag Designs fundraiser is coming during the month of February. This fundraiser, along with previous and future PAC fundraisers will support our goal to provide a variety of security enhancements for our preschool over the next few years. Browse through our beautiful collection of feel-good products for home and on-the go, including eco-friendly bags, everyday totes, and uncommonly good organizational items.

Our Mixed Bag Fundraiser Kicks-off on Tuesday, February 11th through February 28th. You can order online or by order form which will be included in your catalog.

More information to follow in the coming weeks. Thank you for your support!

2019-2020 PAC Committee



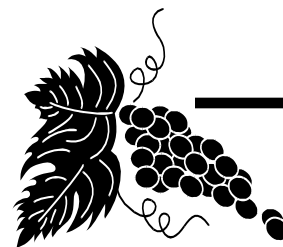
Under Construction

You may notice some changes to our preschool when you return from Winter Break. Three of our majestic trees, two oak trees in the toddler playground and a camphor tree in the middle garden, have been removed. These trees had been there for many years and the areas where they were removed will have a totally different look. Once the trees have been removed the toddler playground will get a face lift. The church and preschool are working together to lay artificial turf in place of the mulch, and we also have plans to install a canopy to cover part of the playground to replace the shade that the two trees provided. These improvements will take time. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we take on this large task ahead of us.

Welcome Back Ms. B!

We are happy to welcome back our Education Coordinator, Mrs. Anne Bensinger. Ms. B has a Masters of Arts in Teaching degree, has been working in the field for over 40 years, was previous Director at the preschool for many years, and is the author of the Lakemont Curriculum. She has returned for the remainder of the school year and wears many hats at the preschool. Ms. B provides teacher and parent workshops, writes articles for our school newsletter, personally conducts observations in all the classrooms, and provides teachers with valuable input on curriculum, tools, techniques, and ideas for all age groups. She supports teachers and parents in a variety of ways and assists the school with promoting the best educational, nurturing experience possible. Ms. B is also available to meet with families and staff members that need extra support.

If you are interested in attending one of Ms. B's workshops, please contact the office at (407) 629-0727 and let us know your subjects of interest, days of the week and times that works best for you. We will inform families once she has set these dates for these informative, enlightening, interactive workshops.



The Grapevine

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Registration for the 2020/2021 School Year

Registration for next school year for families with a currently enrolled student will begin on Monday, February 3, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. and is on a first-come, first-served basis. Open registration will begin on Monday, February 10, 2020. The sooner you turn in the registration form and fee, the more likely you are to get the placement you want for your child. Registration forms will be available January 21.

To secure a space for infants up to 3 year old classes submit:

- Completed registration form
- \$220.00 non-refundable registration fee

To secure a space in VPK classes submit:

- Half of the first month's tuition is due at registration and is non-refundable
- Five day VPK Plus deposit is \$104.00 and four day VPK Plus deposit is \$89.00.
- Completed registration form

PLEASE NOTE: Prior to registration, your current balance must be paid in full.

January/February Calendar Highlights

January 13 — Soccer for 3s/VPK and M&M Enrichments begin (12 weeks)

January 14 — PAC Meeting at 9:30 a.m.

January 15 — Family Chapel at 9:35 a.m.

January 20 — Martin Luther King Day — **NO SCHOOL**

January 21 — All other enrichments begin (12 weeks)

January 21 & January 23 — Katie Kaufman B&W Photography

January 28 — Parent/Teacher Conferences — **NO SCHOOL**

February 3 — In-house registration for Fall 2020/2021 begins

February 10 — Open enrollment for Fall 2020/2021 begins

February 11 — PAC Meeting at 9:30 a.m.

February 11 — Mixed Bag Fundraiser begins

February 12 — Family Chapel at 9:35 a.m.

February 17 — President's Day — **NO SCHOOL**

February 19 — Patriot's Day Parade at 12:45 p.m. — **NO EXTENDED DAY**

Classroom Highlights

Butterfly Class



When you are strolling down the hallway past the 3 year old classes, check out the exciting activities going on in the Butterfly Class. Every day is an adventure! Ms. Jessica and Ms. Dominique work together to provide learning experiences that are both creative and fun.

Jessica Pardo grew up in Caracas, Venezuela. She received her degree in Early Childhood Education and has been a preschool teacher for 17 years. We were blessed to have Jessica join our preschool team in 2018 as a 3 year old teacher with the Butterfly Class. Jessica and her husband Art have four children, Giovanna, Jacob, Alberto and Gabriella. Jessica's favorite hobbies are reading and cooking. In her spare time Jessica loves to travel. She recently took a trip to Italy with her husband, and is planning a trip to Paris. After school Jessica is teaching Spanish enrichment classes at Lakemont and Brookshire Elementary Schools. Jessica's favorite thing about working with children is that it is so rewarding and one of the most wonderful experiences she has ever had.

Dominique Giampaolo was born in New York City and grew up in South Florida. She received her Child Development Associate degree and has been a preschool teacher for three years. Dominique, a UCF student, is working towards a degree in Children's Social Work & Psychology. Dominique joined the school last year as an assistant teacher, and is currently a 3 year old teacher, assisting Ms. Jessica. Dominique also had a prominent role during summer camp as one of our Camp Coordinators and also a teacher in a variety of summer camp classes. We are happy to announce that Ms. Dominique will be the enrichment teacher for our Nature class in our after school program beginning in January. In her spare time, Dominique does many community service projects. She also enjoys playing and teaching soccer and practicing yoga. Dominique loves working with children, as she says, "Children have always had my heart, and they are truly my passion."

Both Jessica and Dominique are highly respected by our staff members, parents and children alike as they are outstanding teachers. They both have a tremendous love for teaching and for the children in their care.



KATIE KAUFMAN PHOTOS



Katie Kaufman is coming on Tuesday, January 21 and Thursday, January 23, 2020 to take candid black and white photos of individual students. Assorted sizes and color photos also available. Class dates and times will be available in the coming weeks.



Spring Fling/Silent Auction Planning Begins Now

Mark your calendar for Saturday, April 4, 2020 for the Spring Fling/Silent Auction from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Winter Park Presbyterian Preschool will host a very special event that is a fund raiser and a fun filled event that children of all ages will enjoy. This event will include a silent auction, bounce houses, train and pony rides, make-up artist, PJ the Clown, games, theme room and many creative hands-on activities. In addition we will have a variety of food trucks. Planning is underway at this time. We will need volunteers from both our parents and staff to help before and the day of the event with the many activities planned. Please sign up for a committee or let us know how you can help. Contact Jessica Hazzard, our PAC chairperson for further information and also to let her know how you might like to help. Jessica is looking for a Spring Fling/Silent Auction chair and co-chairperson that can also assist with this very special event. You can email Jessica at jbrookie82@gmail.com

Important Reminders

Illness Policy

Children who show any of the symptoms listed on the WPPP Health Guidelines will be isolated and sent home from school and are to remain out of school for a full day following their dismissal. (Example: If a child is dismissed for illness on Monday, they cannot return until at least Wednesday morning, providing they are asymptomatic.) Parents picking up their sick child must sign out, and staff or administrative personnel will highlight the reason for dismissal so that other staffers will know the child should not be in attendance the following day.



Extended Day Policy

Extended Day charges must be paid the day your child uses it, either with cash, check, or preferably a ticket(s). Ticket books can be purchased in the Preschool Office. We offer books of 5, 10, 12, or 25. Tickets are \$7.00 each. If you use Extended Day frequently, we offer a bulk ticket package (4 books of 25 @ \$6.00 per ticket). Morning Extended Day is \$3.50 for anytime between 8:30 to 9:00am and may be paid with cash, check, or ticket. Morning Extended Day tickets are available in books of 25 and 10 tickets.

Anytime we have to charge your account for using Extended Day without tickets or payment, your account will be charged the rates of \$9.00 (until 2:30pm), \$18.00 (until 3:30pm) or \$4.50 (early drop off before 9:00am).