

Cornerstone Preschool

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Calling All Moms!

Please join us for our annual

Mother's Day Tea

Friday, May 10th

anytime between 3:30-5:30 p.m.

in honor of Mother's Day!

Stay 5 minutes or an hour...it's up to you.



May 2019 Newsletter

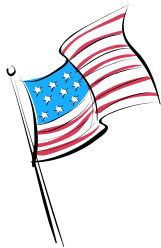
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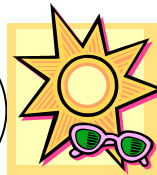
Summer Plans

The last day of VPK is Wednesday, May 27th, but Cornerstone continues to operate its educational program all summer long. Tuition for VPK children enrolled over the summer changes to our non-VPK rate since we no longer receive any state funding. If you have not yet done so, please let us know what your summer plans are as soon as possible so that we can staff accordingly.

For those children eligible for VPK in the fall, we will begin moving some children up to a VPK room for the summer as space allows. By late July, we should have our fall class assignments finalized and we will let you know then who your child's teacher will be.



Cornerstone will be
CLOSED on
Monday, May 27th
for Memorial Day.



Mark Your Calendars

- ♦ May 7 - Visit from the Humane Society
- ♦ May 8 - Visit from a Veterinarian
- ♦ May 10 - Mother's Day Tea
3:30 PM to 5:30 PM
- ♦ May 18 - VPK Graduation
From 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
Holiday Inn Express and Suites
2580 Gulf to Bay Blvd ,
Clearwater FL 33765
- ♦ May 29 - Last day of VPK
- ♦ May 27 - CLOSED

VPK Updates/Reminders

For children moving up to VPK in the fall:

- Please submit your VPK certificate ASAP to finalize your enrollment in our 2019-20 VPK program

Parking Lot Safety

For your safety, please lock your car and take valuables with you into the school when picking up your child. Do not leave your car running or doors unlocked with purses, laptops, or other valuables in sight. *Children should not be left unattended in your car or in the parking lot- even for a few minutes.*



Pet Week Activities

During Pet Week, we are looking forward to a special visit from the Animal & Bird Hospital next door (thank you to Dr. Valentine)!

Pet Week is a great time to teach children about the importance of helping others and being kind, so during the month of May, we will be collecting donations for the Humane Society of Pinellas. If you wish to participate, we encourage you to involve your child in the shopping. Please drop off donations in the box by the front door by Thursday, May 7th. The Humane Society will be making a short presentation that day at 10 a.m. They are requesting the following items:

- Any brand/kind of adult dog & cat food
- Clay (non-clumping) cat litter
- Soft dog & cat treats and durable pet toys (no children's toys)
- Blankets

Building Character at Cornerstone

Each month our teachers focus on a different character trait, such as kindness, respect, or responsibility. These are concepts that preschoolers can easily relate to and understand. After reading books and discussing what it means to be kind, respectful or responsible, we look for children exhibiting these traits to friends at school, and then we recognize and praise them by discussing it at circle time, taking pictures, and/or writing a story or dictation about what that child did. Of course, you can extend this idea by recognizing your child's positive behavior at home as well. Ask your child who showed kindness, respect or responsibility today at school!

Put an End to Bullying

Picking on another child, whether it's physical, verbal, or social, is considered "bullying." It can happen anywhere - in school, on the playground, in the neighborhood, or even over the internet. If your child is being bullied, teach him/her to use a firm voice to say "Stop, I don't like that," stay calm, walk away, and tell a trusted grown up. Preschoolers should be taught that seeking adult help for "bullying" is not the same as "tattling," and it is okay to ask for help. If your child is the bully, now is the time to step in and put a stop to unacceptable behavior by having discussions and giving consequences. At Cornerstone, teaching acceptable social skills is an important part of our day, and we will always let parents know if/when there is a behavioral issue with a child in school. Parent involvement and good communication between home and school is essential, and we welcome your support!



Teacher's Appreciation Week

May 6th to May 10th