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Director's Corner

GCC summer program "Imagination Creation" will be June 27-Aug 19. Children currently enrolled in the GCC program will transition into this fun filled 8 weeks. This is also the time when several new friends will be joining us for our summer program.

The staff has begun to plan for this special time with great themes. They are working with outside vendors to come in and enhance our summer program. Bubblemania, cooking class, puppetiers, the petting zoo and many more fun events with hands on learning activities are being planned. Please refer to your Parent Handbook, each child is assessed a summer fee of \$100. This money offsets the cost of the vendors. If we have an event that occurs on a day that your child does not attend GCC you are welcome to accompany your child and be a part of this activity. The summer fee is due in full on or before **May 1st**. More information and summer calendar will follow.

Remember GCC is a **year around program** and we look forward to a fun filled summer program taught by our wonderful GCC staff.

Easter is soon upon us. The GCC Board and Staff pray that all your Easter celebrations bring the hope and love of Christ the Lord to your families. We also want to extend the invitation to come celebrate Easter here at Geneva Presbyterian Church. Thank you for being part of our extended family here at GCC.

Handwriting Without Tears

This year we are using the "Get Set for School" curriculum designed by **Handwriting Without Tears™**. This award-winning Pre-K curriculum is developmentally appropriate and designed so that all children can thrive and build a strong foundation for kindergarten. The program uses music and movement to engage children and help them develop good learning habits. Children learn actively as they play, color, draw, count, build and sing. The program enhances social-emotional skills, builds physical coordination, recognition of letters and numbers and more. This program is being taught in our preschool rooms by Miss Pam and Mrs. Benson.

OC Rescue Mission Drive Big Success

In February GCC worked together with Geneva Presbyterian Church to support the Orange County Rescue Mission. A huge "Thank You" to every family that participated in this project. We received many donations of diapers, jackets and umbrellas.

We appreciate all your support.

SCSS will visit GCC, 4 different Screenings

Southern California Sensory Screening, Inc. is coming to GCC May 4th to conduct an Educational Health Assessment Program for children 3 and older. SCSS has specialized in this field since 1980 and are cleared through the state of Calif.

Four screenings are available: Hearing, Vision, Speech/Language and Gross/Fine Motor. Any two tests are available for \$30 and all four tests are available for \$35. All evaluations are conducted at GCC. For more information about SCSS visit their website at www.socalsensory.com. Registration forms will be available soon.

Calendar



- 3/1 Tuition Due
- 3/13 Daylight Savings Begins
- 3/17 St. Patrick's Day Fun
Wear Green
- 3/23&24 Easter Party & Egg Hunt
- 3/25 Good Friday GCC Closed
- 4/1 Summer & Fall Class Reg. For New Families
- 5/1 \$100 Summer Fee due
- 5/4 S. C. Sensory Screening

Community Events

- Laguna Hills Lakeshore Learning Store free crafts every Sat. 11 am
 - 3/19 Laguna Hills Bunny Bash at Laguna Hills Mall. Marionette show, games, crafts 11am-1pm
 - 3/10 Aliso Viejo Hullabaloo Children's Concert at grand park. Free, 9:30-11:45am
 - 3/19 Lake Forest Bunny Blast. El Toro Park. Games, crafts, pony rides, ferris wheel. 11am-3pm
 - 3/26 Irvine Easter at Pretend City Egg hunts and crafts. 10am-3pm
 - 3/12 Mission Viejo Easter Eggstravaganza. Shops at Mission Viejo, games, show, crafts. 10-12pm
 - 3/22 Mission Viejo Peter Rabbit Storytime Pottery Barn 11-11:30
 - 3/26 Mission Viejo Easter Garden Party-Kaleidoscope. Egg hunt, Mr. Bunny, petting zoo. 12-2:30pm
- See planadayout.com for more

*"Train your children
right from wrong, and
when they are grown
they will do right."
Proverbs 22:6 (C. E. V.)*



Sweet Memories of February's Valentine and Friendship Fun



During February we had lots of fun with valentine cards and friends from around the world. Every class delivered valentines, had a scrumptious cookie party and many "All Around the World" activities. It was a month of sweet treats, learning, love and friendship at GCC.

Community Care Licensing Visit

Community Care annual licensing visit for GCC was on Friday, February 12th.

Each year licensing visits different preschools and conducts a comprehensive evaluation. This is the time when files are reviewed, proper legal documentation is assessed and safety issues are addressed.

We are proud to say that GCC passed in all areas. Notification of this evaluation will be posted for thirty days on our front glass doors for public review.

St. Patrick's Day 🍀 Thurs. March 17th

Well, it is March and we all know what that means. We will be ready this year for that mischievous Leprechaun. Oh, we remember last year! That Leprechaun over turned chairs, tossed toys all over, left little green footprints and he turned our milk green. But then again, he did leave us gold covered chocolates to ease our pain! 🍀 We will be ready this year!

Thursday, March 17th wear green and be prepared. Watch out for that sneaky Leprechaun, you never know what he's up to!

Easter Parties will be March 23 & 24

Easter Sunday is March 27 and GCC will celebrate Easter on Wednesday and Thursday March 23rd and 24th.

Each class will learn about the first Easter through Bible story, flannel stories and/or music. Each class will also celebrate with a class party, an egg hunt and Easter themed activities.

Please see your child's teacher for more details.

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