



# GENEVA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CHILDREN'S CENTER

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## February Newsletter



### Family, Friends, Spaghetti and a Surprise!



Thank you for supporting our GCC Family Event. We want to thank Molly Levegood from Geneva for helping to prepare such a great dinner for us and to all the staff and Board members who helped in making this evening a success. With over 100 people in attendance we ate good food, made new friends and had a great time. Congratulations to Daniel Barriga for winning the Mega-tiles in our drawing and to Jax Bourne and Jon Gray for having their names drawn to receive our new GCC T-Shirts.

### What's New at GCC? Imagination Playground

"Imagination Playground similar to the old "Tinker Toys" but larger in size that some of us grew up with transforms any space into play space that encourages learning, movement and social interaction." Imagination Playground is child-directed and open-ended. It encourages self-expression through play.

"Imagination playground contains a variety of loose parts, including cubes, bricks, curves and cylinders. But the parts are not simply loose. They have holes and shapes that fit together in ways that allow the continuation of a child's idea. A pair becomes a wall. A wall becomes a room. A room becomes a house. The pieces fit together to make play last a long time. They can become animals, rockets and robots. The opportunities are endless. Imagination Playground materials are made of lightweight foam that is non-toxic and microbe and mold resistant. They are soft and friendly to the touch yet dense and firm enough to build structures and shapes."

Thank you Imagination Playground for this wonderful description of your product and the benefit it will have for our children at GCC.

We are thankful for all the support through fundraising, donations and your monthly tuition that the GCC Board saw the importance of ordering Imagination Playground to enhance our program here at GCC.

Many parents had the opportunity to see first-hand how much the children enjoyed playing with these new blocks at our Spaghetti Dinner. I think the dads had as much fun as the children.

### Calendar

- 2/1 Tuition Due
- 2/4,8,17,25 GCC T-Shirt Days
- 2/10 & 11 Valentine Parties
- 2/15 President's Day —  
School Closed
- 2/2-29 Collections for O.C.  
Rescue Mission

### Newly Added Security Plan Builds Safety

Safety of children is of utmost importance here at Geneva. We recently installed additional security cameras in and around the campus and preschool areas.

Security 2000 will be installing, on all outside play gates, an alarm system attached to an inside sounder so that when the gate is opened the sounder will alert the staff both outside and inside that the gate has been opened. We will be adding an exterior siren to the fire alarm system so that it can readily be heard outside. The system that is being installed will provide added security as well as provide opportunities for additional safety features.

We want to thank the GCC Board and Members of Geneva for their contribution to enable us to purchase this system. Again, Health and Safety for all children, staff, families, members and guests is a priority for both GCC and Geneva Presbyterian Church. Thank you all for your continued support.

# GCC February Focus on O.C. Rescue Mission

This year GCC is planning to aid the Orange County Rescue Mission. Thank you for supporting our **Diaper Drive**. We are asking for donations of **any size diapers** and **wipes**. Also needed are donations of **jackets, coats** and **umbrellas**, new and gently used in good condition.

There will be a container for all donations by the info. booth. **Our collection dates are Feb. 2-29.**

We appreciate all efforts that support this project.

# GCC Year End Statements Now Available

All statements were placed in the sign in book located on your child's sign in page. Let the office know if you did not receive a copy of the statement and we will be happy to reissue you one. Located on the statement you will find the tax ID number for your records. We thank you for your diligence in paying your tuition on time.

# Parent Reminder

Children in our Extended Day Program need to be picked up by 3:30 to enable GCC to continue with our Full Day Program and for appropriate staffing.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

# ♥ Fun Photos from Our Spaghetti Dinner ♥

