

May 2010



## Dates to Remember:

- ◆ May 5 & 6—3's Mother's Day Program/Picnic @ 11:00
- ◆ May 7—4's Beach Party Lunch with Mom @ 12:00
- ◆ May 18 & 19—End of the Year Class Parties
- ◆ May 19—Last Day of Preschool - 4yr Graduation @ 11:00
- ◆ June 7—11—St. Cat's Summer Preschool Camp
- ◆ June 2—25—St. Cat's VBS "Kingdom of the Son"
- ◆ Aug. 20—Preschool Open House 10 to 12
- ◆ Aug. 23—First Day of Preschool!

# St. Cat's Chat

ST. CATHERINE'S PRESCHOOL

## KAROLYN'S KORNER

*May is quite a busy month here at the preschool. Please be sure to check the "dates to remember" at the top of this page and to post the calendar your child's teacher sends home to be sure you don't miss anything. The 3's Mother's Day program is around the corner—get ready to be impressed! This is a special time of year here at St. Catherine's, especially for our graduates. Graduation will be in the sanctuary, and as always, an event to remember. Thanks to all our parents for your support and commitment to St. Catherine's. As evidenced by the weather we've been having lately, summer is just about here! We wish you all a wonderful, safe and fun break. Enjoy!*

## 4yr. GRADUATION CEREMONY

And they're off to kindergarten!! At 11:00am on Wednesday, May 19th. the 4's will process dressed in cap and gown to receive their preschool diplomas. This Graduation ceremony marks the end of one chapter in their lives and the exciting beginning of another. Make a note of the date/time and be sure there are new batteries in the camera.



## ST. CAT'S SUMMER CAMP

"A HOME FOR HERMIT THE CRAB"

JUNE 7 -11

\$125.00

10:00am to 1:30pm

2yr—6yr olds

(children currently enrolled in the 1yr program may register)

Your child will thoroughly enjoy this water-themed week long camp in the same loving environment that St. Cat's Preschool is known for. Many of your favorite teachers will be staffing the camp to make your child feel right at home. The camp will include a visit from The Puppet Guy and other fun-filled camp activities and crafts.



### Music

*What a wonderful time we had at the One's "Music-with-Moms & Dads". We Zip-a-dee-do-dah'd and danced until we all had to take a nap. It is hard to believe this is our last few weeks of school. I have truly enjoyed hanging out with all of my "young friends," they have taught me so much, especially how important music is to their happiness and development. I have been blessed to be a part of this wonderful school and can't wait to get going next year. Just a few reminders... The Three's Mother's Day Program is May 5 & 6 @ 11:00 with a picnic to follow. The Fours Graduation Program is Wed., May 19th @ 11:00 am. Please stay involved in music and the arts over the summer. There are so many opportunities available from summer camps to outdoor concerts so be sure to take advantage of all our area has to offer. I look forward to seeing everyone in the fall!*

*Lynn Donald* 🎵

### One Year Olds

May will be a great month to play outside! Please remember to apply SUNSCREEN when getting your child dressed. We have a "beachy" couple of weeks planned as we celebrate sea and sand month. We have loved watching your babies grow into children over these past nine months. They have gone from barely talking to non stop talking to us and to each other and some are even potty training. What accomplishments for all of them! We have had the pleasure of watching individual personalities blossom and friendships form. We would like to thank you all for sharing your precious babies with us. We wish you all a fun, safe summer. Thank you for a wonderful year!

Ms. Susanne Ms. Barbie Ms. Angela Ms. Tiffany

## Two Year Olds

The time has flown by quickly and our school year is coming to an end. Those beautiful little 2 year olds you brought to our doors in August have grown and developed into self-assured 3's. In 9 months your children have learned to interact with other children, be part of a group, recognize numbers, colors and shapes, go to the potty, wash and dry their own hands, and maybe best of all, pick up their toys! The month of May will be an active one. We will learn about all sorts of outdoor creatures, from butterflies to ladybugs to frogs, and will be spending time outside enjoying the nice Spring weather. Now that the sun is shining, please remember to apply sunscreen when getting dressed for school. We request that closed toed shoes be worn for safety and comfort on the playground. Thank you for allowing us the pleasure of being your child's teachers this year. They have become a special part of us and we will certainly miss all of you. Have a wonderful and safe summer!

Ms. Pat Ms. Monica Ms. Christy Ms. Thea Ms. Lori Ms. Anita Ms. Tiffany Ms. Lubna

## Three Year Olds

Somehow 9 months have come and gone. Sadly we are at the end of our school year together. Our 3yr Mother's Day Program will be on May 5 ( Ms. Deanna, Ms. Shirley, Ms. Sumer) and May 6 ( Ms. Christy, Ms. Dianne, Ms. Marilyn) at 11:00am with our Family Picnic immediately following. The children are practicing to learn some very special songs to sing just for you! We celebrate the last days of school with end of the year parties on May 18 & 19. Before we say good-bye we are going on one more book adventure. Our story book unit this month is Jamerry by Bruce Degen. This book is about the friendship between a boy and a bear who explore their world along with the taste of blueberries, strawberries, raspberries, and blackberries. Children naturally enjoy hearing this story because the words are in rhythm. Some of our goals from this book are to improve counting by using berries, improve memory skills, the ability to predict what will happen next, and identify musical instruments such as drum, tuba, trombone, trumpet, and flute. Additionally, we will reinforce balance coordination by imitating galloping like a pony, hopping like a rabbit, waddling like a goose, leaping like a lamb, lumbering like an elephant, and marching like a member of the band. We all want to thank you for giving us a few hours each week to work and play with your children. We have enjoyed getting to know each of them and you.

Ms. Dianne Ms. Deanna Ms. Marilyn Ms. Sumer Ms. Shirley Ms. Christy  
Ms. Patsy Ms. Candy Ms. Anita

## Four Year Olds

And the countdown to graduation begins! We start off this month diving into a fun filled two weeks celebrating all things Ocean. Moms please mark your calendars for May 7<sup>th</sup>, as you are cordially invited to our Mother's Day Beach Party and Picnic. Please make other arrangements for siblings as this is a great way for you and your graduate to have some special time together. More information will follow. Once we surface from our undersea adventures, we set sail for the high seas as we become Pirates for a week. We'll be searching for treasure as we set a course for graduation on Wednesday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. Our end of the year parties will be Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> as a final celebration before we walk down the aisle in caps and gowns – charge up your cameras and break out the tissues! It's amazing how quickly this year has flown by! Thank you so much for sharing your children with us this year. It's been such a pleasure to watch them grown into eager students. We hope you have a safe, fun summer. Best wishes for a successful Kindergarten year!

Ms. Cathy Ms. Elaine Ms. Jenn Ms. Lisa Ms. Jennie Ms. Shannon Ms. Deanna

## ST. CAT'S VBS

June 21st —25th 1:00pm—4:00pm

### "KINDGOM OF THE SON"

It is open to children who will be 4yrs of age by 7/01/10 through rising 5th graders. Registration forms now available on the green counter in the preschool office area. We welcome and appreciate your help. Please consider being a volunteer for one or two mornings.

**VBS email: [stcatsvbs@live.com](mailto:stcatsvbs@live.com)**

### PICTURE PERFECT

Many, many thanks to Professional Photographer Sean Bolt for providing his time and expertise in taking the 4yr. cap & gown pictures and the class pictures. We think you'll all agree he did a GREAT job. If you're looking for a professional family photographer, you can contact Sean at 770-500-0506. Class picture proofs are on display in the preschool office area along with order forms.

1's & 2's—Can order a picture for \$10.00 each. Order forms are on the green counter.

3's & 4's—Picture was included in supply fee. They will soon be available for pick-up on the green counter.

### PRESCHOOL TUITION

On May 1st and no later than May 15th all tuition for this school year is due. Rosemary, our bookkeeper, is working hard on closing the books. If this is not possible for you please contact her at [www.rosewolfe@bellsouth.net](mailto:www.rosewolfe@bellsouth.net) as soon as possible. Your help in this matter is greatly appreciated! September 2010 tuition is due by June 15th. Tuition notices will go out in May. Your child's registration is not considered complete until their Sept. tuition is paid. We keep a wait list for each age group and will be glad to add anyone interested to it. Please pass this information along to friends who may be looking for a great preschool. Thanks!

### May—August Staff Birthdays

#### May

|              |        |      |
|--------------|--------|------|
| Beth Thomas  | office | 5/04 |
| Jennie Costa | 4's    | 5/16 |
| Lori Olbrych | 2's    | 5/23 |
| Lynne Gates  | office | 5/27 |

#### June

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|-------------|-----|------|
| Barbie Cobb | 1's | 6/02 |
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#### July

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|-------------------|-------|------|
| Thea Blalock      | 2's   | 7/07 |
| Cathy Kaumeyer    | 4's   | 7/08 |
| Lynn Donald       | Music | 7/10 |
| Tiffany Peterson  | 2's   | 7/10 |
| Suzanne Muckerman | 1's   | 7/26 |

#### August

|              |        |      |
|--------------|--------|------|
| Monica Gwinn | 2's    | 8/06 |
| Candy Hene   | 3's    | 8/16 |
| Connie Rowe  | office | 8/16 |

## PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

**Our 2010/11 Preschool Open House will be the morning of August 20th. During this time you will get to meet your child's teacher and classmates. The first day of school will be August 23rd. We will send you reminders by mail and email in early August.**

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