

April 30, 2018

From the Director's Desk

The safety of the children at Childgarden is our number one priority. There are several situations that, for the safety of the children, teachers, and staff at Childgarden, we may need to initiate a lock-down.

What a lock-down would entail would differ depending on the situation.

- As a precaution we may prevent children from playing outside and only allow parents to enter the building.
- For a more significant threat we would not allow anyone to enter or leave the building through the front door, and would physically monitor the back door to allow parents to enter.
- For imminent danger we would continue to monitor the back door for parents to enter but would not allow anyone to leave.

Regardless of the situation, we will always communicate information to parents and guardians via email. Text alerts are sent out if an immediate emergency notification, is necessary and if the situation requires parents to pick up their children. As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions, and thank you for entrusting your child's safety with us.

-Debbie

May 7 and 8: Picture Day

Say Cheese!

Monday, May 7, will be Picture Day for infants and toddlers. If an infant or toddler has an older sibling at Childgarden, we will take the sibling's picture that day as well, in addition to taking their picture together.

Tuesday, May 8, will be Picture Day for children two years of age and older.

If you are interested in assisting with pictures on May 7 or 8, please [let us know](#). We are looking for one parent volunteer for each day. The parent assistant will receive a \$50 gift certificate



toward the cost of pictures!

May 11: Garden Planting

Join us on Friday, May 11, at 6:00 p.m. for our annual garden planting.

We invite all families to help prepare and plant this year's garden.

In the past this event has been held on a Saturday, however we are hoping more families can join us on a Friday evening. If you are interested in purchasing any plants for the garden, there is a sign up list on the front bulletin board.

For those families who are planning on assisting on Friday evening, please bring your shovels and hoes if you have them.



Thank You Blue Star Connection

Recently Childgarden acquired a large drum for our music therapy program, in thanks to Jamie Wilhite. Jamie initiated a request to Blue Star Connection for a large gathering drum, a request that they so generously fulfilled. The drum allows for more than 10 children to use it collaboratively! Additionally, Blue Star Connection will be donating other musical instruments to be utilized in the music sessions at Childgarden. A huge thank you to Blue Star Connection for these amazing donations!



Here Comes the Sun

If you have not yet purchased sunscreen for your child we ask that you purchase Water Babies SPF 50 (if your child is not allergic). Having one brand that the teachers can apply makes the application process much easier. Applying their morning layer at home, prior to coming to school is also extremely helpful, saving a great amount of time in the morning classroom routine. Thank you for your assistance!



Happy Anniversary!

May 9: Khalil Lowery celebrates her 2 year anniversary!



Family Fun Night

Thank you to everyone who shared their Friday evening with us and attended our annual Family Fun Night. We had perfect weather for outside play and enjoyed the many desserts our families shared. A big thank you to the Childgarden and Arc staff for providing food and activities!

