Agape Montessori 2022 Summer Program "Under the Sea"

The school year is almost over, and summer is quickly approaching. The week of May 23rd will be a transition week for us as we prepare for the start of our summer program, which will officially begin on Tuesday, May 31st. Our theme this summer is "Under the Sea." The children will learn all about our oceans, each layer they have, and the animals that live there. We also have some fun activities planned! A calendar of events is attached.

McCracken's Swim Lessons: Once again, we will be partnering with McCracken's Gymnastics and Swim School to offer swim lessons this summer. There will be 4 sessions throughout the summer at a cost of \$93 per session. The sign up for the first session will begin Monday, May 23rd. Each spot is always first come, first serve, so please do not sign your children up in advance. The sign-up sheet will be posted on the front desk. You may either call McCracken's directly to make a payment or give us a check made out to McCracken's. McCracken's phone number is 913-782-8555. Children must be 3 years and fully potty trained to participate. Space is limited! Once your child has been signed up, we will need you to fill out registration form before the sessions begins.

Off-Site Field Trips: All off-site field trips are reserved for children who will be age 5 by September 1st. If your child is eligible, you will receive a separate email to confirm your child's participation. There is a \$65 activity fee which will need to be paid by Friday, June 3rd to ensure your child may participate. Here is the list of field trips we will be taking this summer:

- Friday, June 10th: Kansas City Zoo, 9:00am 1:30pm
- Friday, July 15th: Sea Life Aquarium, 12:00 3:00pm
- Friday, July 29th: Mad Science Visit (at the school), 1:30 2:30pm
- Friday, August 5th: Black Bob Bay, 1:00 3:00pm

Parent Volunteers: A Sign-Up Genius will be sent out for each field trip with the number of volunteers we will need. Volunteers are responsible to drive themselves to each field trip and pay admission. You may wish to coordinate with other volunteers to carpool.

Water Bottles: To help keep students hydrated during the warmer months, we ask that you please send a water bottle for your child every day. These should go home every day to be washed and sanitized. Each classroom will have a special water bottle bucket where the students will be able to keep their water bottles and access them at any time during the day. We will refill them as needed. Please be sure to write your child's name on his/her bottle.

Sunscreen: We will be using a generic SPF 50 sunscreen this summer. If you do not wish for your child to use this type of sunscreen, please send a bottle of your preferred sunscreen with your child's name on it. **NO SPRAY SUNSCREEN, PLEASE.**

Close-Toed Shoes/Summer Clothing: Please remember that it is our policy for all students to wear close-toed shoes. This is for the safety of your child. We have wood chips on the playground that can enter through openings in the shoes and cause injury if they are not wearing proper shoes. Girls are also required to wear shorts or bloomers under skirts and dresses.

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Summer Break: Please remember that Agape Montessori School will be closed from July 4^{th} - 8^{th} for our Summer Break. Tuition is due during the time we are closed. I will send out an email to all families who are eligible for a tuition vacation.

All School Events: The following are a list of events in which all ages are encouraged to participate. Parents are also welcomed to join us for these fun events!

- **Friday, June 17**th: Field Day (9:00 10:30am) We invite parents to participate in a fun morning of games with their children. We will provide a sweet treat to help cool down afterwards!
- **Friday, July 1**st: Fish Fry (11:00am 12:30pm) Parents are invited to join us for a special lunch consisting of fried fish, chips, drinks, and s'mores!
- July 4th 8th: Summer Break. Agape will be closed for the full week.
- Tuesday, August 2nd: Ice Cream Social (6:30 7:30pm) Join us to celebrate the close of our summer session. We will have an ice cream truck to provide special treats, compliments of Agape!
- Friday, August 5th: Pajama Day Children are encouraged to wear their pajamas as I am sure we will be exhausted from our ocean adventures!
- Thursday, August 11th: Back to School Night (6:30 7:30pm) Whether you are a returning student or new to Agape, we invite you to come meet the teachers and hear about upcoming events for the school year. The teachers will provide important information regarding classroom expectations and procedures. We encourage <u>ALL</u> families to be in attendance.

Summer School Supply List: We ask that parents bring the following supplies for the summer session. These items may be brought to the school with your child any time before the summer session begins. I will have a list at the front desk to check your child off when you deliver your supplies.

- 4 boxes 100 count, 5 oz. Dixie cups (5 oz only, please)
- 4 liquid hand soap, 7-8 oz.
- 4 rolls of paper towels
- 2 large packages of napkins
- 2 boxes of tissues
- 1 ream of standard size copy paper

Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have. We're looking forward to an exciting summer!

Thanks,

Miss Becca