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Thoughts from Tyka

News for all LFMA families!

And so we come to the conclusion of another great school year. It is hard to believe how quickly time has flown. It is always so amazing to watch our students as they grow and learn and discover new things. The ending of a school year brings mixed emotions for me as I watch the children transition into their new grade levels. I'm excited for them of course, but it makes me a little bit sad too to see how quickly they grow up. I'm also feeling a little bit old lately, as I realize that some of the students I saw begin our pre-school program at 2 ½ years old will now be leaving us to go off to high school next year. Where did the time go?

Although we only have three more weeks left of the 2015-2016 school year, they will be busy ones. To begin with, the 3rd through 8th grade students will participate in the Terra Nova examinations during the week of May 2nd-5th and Kindergarten-Second grade students will participate from May 9th-12th. Please make sure students arrive to school on time, get plenty of rest, and have a nutritious breakfast.

Tickets for the Kennedy Space Center field trip on Friday, May 13th have arrived. If you haven't done so already, please see a pre-k teacher to pick yours up.

End of the year conferences will be held for Pre-School/ VPK during the week of May 9th-12th and for kindergarten through eighth grades during the last week of school, May 16th -19th. Report cards and test results will be given out during this time, so please sign up in the foyer to reserve your spot.

Finally, the end of the year award's ceremony will be held on the last day of school, May 20th. All

Mrs. Price's Class News

As another wonderful school year comes to a close, let me take a moment to express my sincere gratitude to all of the people that make Lake Fern Montessori Academy such a wonderful place to be. First, to my students who teach me as much if not more each day than I teach you: thanks for being the reason that I get out of bed each day ready for the mysteries and opportunities that await me as I learn new things with each of you. I love you all and I am proud of each and every one of you for the accomplishments you have made this year and for the amazing people you are all turning out to be. Second to the parents and families of my amazing students: Thanks for all of the ways you support your children and me. Knowing I can count on you all to help in countless ways makes every day just a little bit easier. Finally, to our incredible staff: It is such an honor to work with you all each day. Thanks for your compassion and love that you show our children and for the support you give me as well. It would be impossible to do what I do without you!

This month will be a busy one, so please make sure to read the newsletter in its entirety, stay tuned into class dojo, and watch for postings on the front door and in the foyer. The most important events to be aware of are as follows:

1) Terra Nova testing will be for our students (kindergarten-second) during the week of May 9th-12th. This is usually one of the most fun weeks for our students and they always do very well. You can help your child be at his very best by making sure he gets plenty of sleep and has a nutritious breakfast. Please pack some extra healthy snacks and make sure your child is on time to school. We will start immediately each day. students will be recognized during our program, so please bring lawn chairs and your camera. You won't want to miss it! The ceremony will begin at 8:30 and will be followed by a potluck style breakfast afterwards. A sign-up sheet will be available in the foyer if you would like to bring something to share.

The end of the year affords me the perfect opportunity to thank all of our families, students, and staff. It is truly a blessing to be a part of such a wonderful family and I can't thank any of you enough for your love and commitment to our students. We could never accomplish the things we do here at LFMA if it wasn't for the generosity, time, and attention each of you show each day. Thank you so much for another fantastic year! Have a wonderful summer!

Mrs. Jennifer's Class News

Happy May! I can't believe this year has flown by as fast as it has! As we're putting the final touches on another great year, we'd like to first thank our parents and families for everything you do for us. We are very thankful that you have chosen us to not only be part of your child's education, but to be a part of their lives and help mold them into outstanding young people. We thank you for all the time you put into our school, into our functions such as Fall Festival and Spring Fling, and into little things in our classrooms such as special treats, craft ideas, and curriculum ideas. We appreciate everything you do in aiding us become better teachers, and role models, for your children. They say "It takes a village to raise a child", and I am so pleased to have been a part of your village!

To wrap up our last month of the 2015-2016 school year, we will continue studying Dinosaurs. We will finish the year out talking about letters X, Y and Z and doing a general review of the alphabet and sounds, recognizing numbers, patterning, colors, shapes, and counting.

May 9-12th, will be our Preschool and VPK parent conferences. A sign-up sheet will be posted in the foyer. Please let me know if you have any questions! I can't wait to share all the amazing things we've seen this year!

- 2) Parent/teacher conferences will be held during the week of May 16th-19th. Please sign up in the foyer to reserve your conference time. I will be discussing the Terra Nova results and final report card with you at that time.
- 3) The end of the year award's ceremony/ breakfast will be on Friday, May 20th. This gives us the perfect opportunity to spotlight each of our students. It will be an exciting time for the children, so please come out and show your support!

Thanks again for sharing your children with me this year! Have a safe and happy summer!

Mrs. Pittman's Class News

Wow! May is here already and with it, the end of the school year! What a great year it has been. We still have several things planned for May. We are starting the month off with CTBS testing, May 2nd-6th. Please make sure your student gets plenty of sleep and eats a healthy breakfast so they are prepared for the morning's tests. Please make sure they arrive promptly at 8:30, as we will get started first thing. Also, you may want to pack a few extra snacks as the students will have several breaks throughout testing and some extra protein may help keep their brains fueled! A few other dates to keep in mind are our end of the year field trip to KSC which is Friday, May 13th. The week of the 16th-20th will be parent conferences and report cards will issued. There will be a sign-up sheet in the fover the week before. Our Awards Ceremony and breakfast is Friday, May 20th. Details will be posted in the fover.

After testing, we will continue on with our Math lessons. 3rd grade is just being introduced to division and 2 digit multiplication. 4th and 5th grade are continuing on with Geometry, units of measure and fraction computation. For Language Arts, we have some fun writing assignments and grammar review to wrap up the year. In Science, we will continue on with our Biology unit and will have some time for a few fun projects and experiments.

In closing, I just wanted to thank all of the students and their families for a great first year. Everyone has made me feel so welcome and I am happy to be a part of the LFMA family!

Friday, May 13th will be our field trip to the Kennedy Space Center. If you purchased tickets, please see a preschool teacher to pick them up! The park hours are 9 AM- 6 PM. As everyone will have their passes ahead of time, you may enter the park at your convenience. We will not be meeting up as a group. Please remember that parking is \$10. Please see a teacher if you have any questions, or send me a message through class dojo.

Friday, May 20th will be our last day of school. We will have our Awards Ceremony at 8:30 AM. Make sure to bring a camera to capture your child's accomplishments! Immediately following the awards ceremony we will have a potluck breakfast. Sign-up sheets will be in the foyer prior to this event. All students will be receiving awards and may leave afterward, if desired, as traditional classes will not be held.

If you are planning on having your child attend over the summer, please turn in a summer registration form if you haven't done so already.

Thank you from all of your preschool and VPK teachers! Have a great summer!

Mr. Price's Class News

Unbelievably, the school year is almost over!

For the first week of the month, we are conducting our CTBS standardized testing. Make sure everyone gets plenty of sleep, eats a solid breakfast each morning, and gets to school by 8:30.

Report cards will be given out during conferences. During that time, I will provide the results of the CTBS testing. Look for a sign-up sheet in the foyer.

I am carrying over the Rube Goldberg project from April. There simply was not enough time to give the project justice so we will do it over the last couple of weeks of the school year.

I would like to personally thank all of the students for making it such an awesome year. I hope that your summer is great! I look forward to seeing those returning next year and wish blessings to those who are moving on!

Dates to Remember in May:

Field Trip to Kennedy Space Center-Friday, May 13TH Conferences- Monday, May 16TH to Thursday, May 19TH Last School Day and end of the year breakfast-May 20TH







Memories from our trip to the Brevard Zoo!





Lake Fern Montessori Academy

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Sonic				Kelsey's	
8	9 Sonic	10	11	12 Kelsey's	13	14
	Pre-K/VPK	Pre-K/VPK	Pre-K/VPK	Pre-K/VPK	Field Trip KSC	
	Conferences	Conferences	Conferences	Conferences	Tield Tip Noo	
15	16 Sonic	17	18	19	20 Awards Ceremony/	21
	K-8 th Grade	K-8 th Grade	K-8 th Grade	K-8 th Grade	Breakfast 8:30	
	Conferences	Conferences	Conferences	Conferences	Last Day of School	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				