

Mother's Day Out Plus
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MDO
9:00am-2:00pm

MDO Plus
7:15am-5:00pm

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Newsletter

March 2017

Director's Corner

Parents,

Happy early Spring!! I don't think mother nature can decide if it should be winter or spring outside but we are managing either way. We are enjoying our days when the kiddos can run and play outside!!

Dr. Seuss spirit week was so fun last week. It was great to see all of the children dressed up for spirit days and I love that everyone took advantage of the photo booth. There were some great pictures!

MDO has applied for Level 2 in Better Beginnings, which is a state accreditation above DHS and we had all of our assessments done. Now we wait for the results and whether or not we received Level 2. There will be a big celebration if we get Level 2 accreditation.

Registration for summer and fall has had great success. There are still

spots available for the summer but two classes for the fall have already been filled. Pass the word along, if someone you refer signs up, there is a referral credit for you!! MDO's Facebook page and website are a great away to stay informed about what is happening at MDO. Check out the interactive calendar on our website along with information about our program, staff, and useful resources. Follow us on Facebook and be sure to add the google calendar to your schedule to always know what is going on at MDO.

As always my door is open, please feel free to come by if there is ever a question, problem, or just to say hello.

Thank you for sharing your children with us!

Amy

MDO is currently hiring for summer full time and part-time positions. We are also looking for more substitutes for MDO.

Please see Ms. Amy for more information.

Mark Your Calendars

8th Annual End of Year Dinner and Silent Auction Fundraiser **April 27th @6pm**

This is our biggest fundraiser of the year!! Last year we raised over \$5000. We were able to purchase several new items for our program.

For the silent auction, we collect donations from the community and all over. Each classroom also does a themed classroom basket to be auctioned off as well. If you or anyone you know would like to donate something to be auctioned off, please let me know. Donations are already coming in. Possible donation ideas include gift certificates, gift baskets, merchandise from a business, etc.

Here are the themes for the classroom auction baskets (The idea is to sign up to bring an item to go in the basket, the whole basket will then be auctioned off)

Tiny Toes- Baby Basket

Building Blocks- Kid's Travel Basket

Kingdom Kids- BBQ Basket

Promiseland- Gluten Free Basket

Stepping Stones-Art Basket

This is a family-friendly event!! Mark your calendars now!! E-vites will be sent out to reserve for the event the first part of April.

Thank you for your support and we hope you will join us for this event!!

Monies raised from this years auction will go towards a new fence for the playground, more outside toys, tables, and other playground improvements.

March Birthdays

2nd- Brennan Anderson
3rd- Ms. Alyssa
3rd- Macil Rambo
3rd- Rilo Halbrook
10th- Ms. Heather
12th- Eloise Sullivan
18th- Clayton Madick
18th- Cedar Sidani
21st- Gavin Watts



Join us...

Worship Opportunities at FUMC:



Sunday Services are at
8:15 am & 10:30 am in the Sanctuary.

Weekly Wednesday night dinner begins
at 6:00 pm in Fellowship Hall and is open
to anyone.

 SCHOLASTIC

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR
profit was \$400 in Scholastic
Dollars

Thank you to our volunteers and
for all who supported MDO in
purchasing books.

We have adopted a PIG...

Why you might ask?? This pig's home is the
NORTHWEST ARKANSAS FOOD BANK.
When we have filled him with our loose change, he will be re-
turned to the Food Bank to provide food for those in need in
our community.

Every dollar we put into our pig will buy 5 meals for the hungry
in our community. You can help!! Each time you come to
MDO, empty some of your loose change and
FEED THE PIG!

Let's help fight hunger in our community!!

Remember...CHANGE makes a difference!!!

All kids will go outside every day weather
permitting. On extreme cold days,
outside time will be limited or spent
partly inside.

Please make sure your child has an extra
change of clothes, season appropriate,
at school. This should include a shirt,
pants, underwear or panties, socks and
an extra pair of shoes.

****DON'T FORGET A WEATHER
APPROPRIATE COAT****



Parents' Night Out

OPEN TO MDO/MDO PLUS FAMILIES

March 31st

5:30pm-9:30pm,

\$20 per child (dinner included)

Ages: 6 months-5th grade

Sign-up sheet for each date will be posted the week prior to PNO. Don't miss it!!

PNO will be CANCELLED if there are not enough signed up.



better beginnings

EVERY CHILD DESERVES OUR BEST

We have had both assessments and now just awaiting results. We ask for your continued support as we work on these weaknesses and continue to work toward Level 2!

For more information about Better Beginnings, check out the website

arbetterbeginnings.com/parents-families

Dates to Remember

March 14th-15th– Spring Pictures

March 20th-24th–SPRING BREAK-MDO CLOSED

March 31st– PNO

April 15th– Church Easter Egg Hunt-MDO invited

April 27th- 8th Annual End of Year Dinner and Silent Auction Fundraiser

April 28th– NO SCHOOL-RPS and MDO CLOSED

May 26th– Last day of School for RPS and MDO

May 31st-June 2nd-MDO CLOSED to prepare for summer

June 5th– 1st day of Summer MDO

June 5th-8th– VBS



**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS
TIME IS SUNDAY,
MARCH 12th.**

TIME TO SPRING FORWARD!!

Child Safety Recalls...

As a licensed facility we are required to keep up with all child safety recalls for toys, equipment, etc. If you would like to check out the recalls you can view them online at www.childproductsafety.com



SAY CHEESE!!

School pictures will be taken Tuesday, March 14th & Wednesday, March 15th during the school day. A note letting you know what day your child will be getting pictures made is in your child's mailbox. Please let your child's teacher know if you choose not to get your child's picture made.

Family pictures will also be taken on Tuesday only starting at 3:00 pm. If you would like to have family pictures made, please see Ms. Amy to sign up for family pictures.



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