



WEE NOTES

August 2023

Dear WEE Center Families,



I hope you are enjoying a wonderful and restful summer with your family. It's too quiet here without the children's voices rising from the playground outside the office window! I look forward to hearing their laughter again soon.

We have been busy ordering supplies, arranging class lists and even hiring additional staff. When the students return in September, they will be greeted by a newly painted waiting area, as well as shining waxed floors, and some new furniture.

A vital part of the preschool years is connecting with other parents. Be sure to come to the Summer Playground Play Days, family picnic during your orientation, the Parent Coffees, and Back to School Ice Cream Social. It is a great opportunity to socialize with other parents.

Want to get more involved? In this newsletter you will see some of the ways to volunteer including Tuition Assistance positions. Please contact me directly if you have additional questions or would like to sign up for a position. We will also have this list with any remaining opportunities available at the parent/child orientation.

Parkwood's Pastor of Community Outreach will be present for the Parent Coffees to tell you more about opportunities to connect with other parents, grandparents, or primary care givers of young children.

We have a few openings for children under 3 years old. Please share our information with friends and encourage them to check out the WEE Center.

The WEE Center is a partnership between home and school and your input is always welcome. Together, we can help your child have a wonderful school year.

Blessings,
Ann

"Love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength." Deuteronomy 6:5

Calendar-At-A-Glance



Sunday, August 13

6:00 pm

Family Movie Night & Coffee House Cafe sponsored by the PBC Community Outreach Ministry

Thursday, August 31

9:30 – 1:30 Parent & Child Orientation

12:00 – 1:00 School Picnic

September 5th

Classes Begin!

Half Day for Bears & Lambs

September 5th & 6th

Welcome Coffee for parents



Thursday, September 7th

6:30 PM – 7:30 PM

Back to School Ice Cream Social

Need to contact the director?

Send an email to Ann

weedirector@parkwood.org

Or call - 703.978.0640

www.weecenter.com

& on Facebook

[The Parkwood Wee Center](#)

Summer Office Hours:

By Appointment Tuesday -

Thursday 8:30 -12:30

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Orientation Schedule

Thursday, August 31
9:30 AM — 1:30 PM

Teachers will send out letters or emails and make phone calls in August to **schedule your orientation visit**. During the orientation, you and your child will be able to meet their teachers, see their classroom and visit the other WEE Center areas. Please arrive 10 minutes before your scheduled appointment and check in with Ann or Lois in the upstairs welcome area. You will finalize paper work and payments then go to your child's classroom. The orientation portion of the visit will be about 20 minutes

Family Picnic 12:-1:00 also on August 31
Bring a picnic lunch and join others for lunch by the playground. It will be a great way to meet other parents and students.

Things to do at Orientation

Program Check-In	Meet Your Teacher
Volunteer Sign-Up	Tour the School
Visit the Classroom	After-School Classes

Tuition Assistance

We have many "volunteer" positions available for tuition credit. These positions are vital to our program and require a dedicated commitment from the volunteer. You may select one tuition credit position for each child registered in the program. If you are interested in any of these positions, please call or email Ann immediately.

<u>Position</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Kiss & Bye Help unload children from the car	20 min. /week
Classroom Substitute Assist lead teacher	10 days/year
Science Parent Plan lessons and activities for each class	4 times/year
Garden Angel Organize and help students maintain garden beds	4 times/year

Volunteer Opportunities!

Parent involvement is vital to helping your child and keeping the WEE Center successful. You can be involved in our program in many ways. Your involvement is appreciated, whether it is volunteering, working for tuition credit, donating supplies or funds, supporting fundraisers, participating in special events, or sharing a special talent with the children. We rely on volunteers to keep our tuition low and our curriculum standards high.

Check out ways to be involved during Orientation. You can make a big difference with a little bit of your time. Please call the office for more information.



First Week of School Schedule

To help our students transition to school the first week of the year is slightly different.

- All students will be walked into class each day - *No Kiss & Bye*
- Parents are welcome to visit with each other in the coffee and conversation room after saying good bye to their child at the classroom door.



- The Tuesday/Thursday Lambs class & Wednesday/Friday Bears class will meet from **10:00- 12:00** only.



Back to School Ice Cream Social

Thursday, September 7th
6:30-7:30



Join WEE Center teachers and families for a yummy treat. You can meet other parents, visit the classroom, play on the playground and watch your children interact with their friends. This is an "open house" style event so come and go as you please.

Here is the calendar for the first half of the school year for your planning purposes. Please check the website and facebook page for changes.

Wednesday, August 2,	Playground play day 9:30-11:30
August 24 – August 30	Teacher Workdays/Training/Set Up
Thursday August 31	Parent & Child In-Person Orientation (assigned time between 9:30am-1:30pm)
Tuesday, September 5	First Day of School
First week of School	Half Days for Bears/Lambs 10:00 – 12:00 (no lunch)
Tuesday & Wednesday, September 5 & 6	Parent Coffee and Conversation 10:00- 11:00
Thursday, September 7	Family Night (6:30 – 7:30)
Sunday, September 10	Teacher Commissioning
Monday, September 11	Stay and Play Begins
Monday, September 11	Kiss & Ride Begins
Friday, September 29	Family Movie Night
Wednesday, October 4	Weekly Chapel Begins
Monday, October 9	NO School – Teacher Workday
Wednesday & Thursday, October 25, 26	Pumpkin Patch on site Field Trip
Saturday, October 28	PBC Fall Festival (community wide event) 2:00-5:00
Monday, November 6	NO School – Teacher Workday / Conferences
Week of November 5	Field Trip – American Flag
Monday - Friday, November 20-24	NO School - Thanksgiving Holidays
Friday, December 1	Kids' Night Out
Wednesday, December 13	Last Day of School before Christmas Break
Thursday, December 14	NO School - Christmas Program Only (10:30am)
December 15 – January 1	NO School - Christmas Break