

CCC Newsletter

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The mission of Concord Children's Center is to cultivate an intimate, welcoming community where children develop respectful relationships and inquisitive minds, build confidence in their individual gifts, and are engaged, prepared and inspired to learn

July 2017

Calendar

July 4	CCC Closed - Holiday
July 27	All School Family Picnic
August 21-25	CCC Closed
August 24	Open House
August 28	First Day of School

Welcome to our new families



WHAT TO BRING SUMMER 2017 Concord Children's Center

WATER BOTTLE: Please clearly mark with your child's name.

WATER SHOES: Please send in closed toe footwear that can get wet for water play.

SUNSCREEN: Please bring your child to school with the first coat of sunscreen already applied. We will apply again after nap for those who stay after 4:00pm. We use Water Babies SPF 50 or above. If you would like us to use a different kind, please bring it in labeled with your child's name and we can keep it at school.

BATHING SUIT and TOWEL: Please mark with your child's name.

CLOTHES: [2] Extra changes of clothes appropriate for the weather. Include shirts, pants, shorts, socks and underwear.

DIAPERS: Package of diapers if needed [you can bring a large sleeve-we will store the extras and let you know when we need more] and diaper cream.

DIAPER WIPES [CCC provides diaper wipes]

BEDDING: [for children who nap at school] A crib sheet, blanket and a pillowcase

Special nap items including a lovey, stuffed animal, and/or pacifier

LUNCH BOXES: Please bring a lunch box with an ice pack. You can also bring items in a thermos. We will provide milk and water for lunch.

BIKE HELMET: Please send in a bike helmet for your child. Our school helmets will not fit as well as personal helmets from home. Please clearly label your child's name on the outside. Helmets are stored in a bin to keep at school. **Doesn't include Infant/Toddler Program.**

PLEASE LABEL EVERYTHING THANK YOU!!

Summer Communication



Summer at CCC is a special time for our children, teachers and families. We slow down, take vacations and become refreshed. With schedules changing throughout the Summer it is important to remember to check your parent pockets for updates. Teacher and children's schedules are posted in your classrooms so families can know which of your child's friends are attending each week and who the teachers are during each session. Please be sure to introduce yourself to our summer staff and feel free to contact your Program Director or any of the Administrative staff if you have questions.

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Summer at CCC

We have started our first week of Water Awareness at the Thoreau Club and it has been wonderful. From the bus ride, to the Splash Pad, to the Pool, it has been a great experience. Our thanks to the Thoreau Club for becoming a partner in our summer program and welcoming us with open arms.



Children slide into the pool to their waiting instructors



CCC Teachers by the side of the pool



Thoreau instructors in the pool



Splash Pad at Thoreau

Outdoor play is a key component of the summer at CCC



Toddlers tending their garden



The joy of water and shave cream

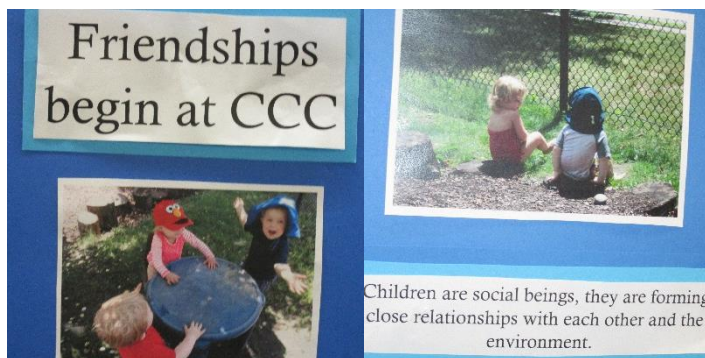


Studying the food preferences of ants on the playground



The older children made fresh lemonade and created a business!

Wishing all our families a relaxing and fun summer



Documenting Children's Experiences at CCC

This year our teachers have been exploring broadening our use of documentation, linking photographs to teaching goals, observations, early childhood standards, and pedagogy. Using our documentation we seek to expand our families understanding of what we do at CCC and why we do it.

In The Fall of 2017 we will introduce an exciting new tool for documentation. The technology has been developed by Kaymbu, a Boston company. Kaymbu will allow us to use dedicated school iPad's to capture pictures, videos and notes to document classroom experience. This documentation can be organized and shared between teachers, program directors and families, using Kaymbu's web based technology.

We are very excited about introducing this technology and look forward to hearing from our families as we start to use the technology as a family communication tool.

"Pedagogical Documentation supports us in our work. It provides a mirror that reflects our practice. When we view this mirror with an open mind and heart, it quickly becomes a tool for learning-not only for us and for children, but also for families and caregivers who may wonder why we do the things the way we do". Susan Stacey, Pedagogical Documentation in Early Childhood, 2015



August 24th. Open House

Families are invited to visit their classrooms and meet their teachers. Watch for details.



**Tuesday, July 4
11:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

Join us on July 4th to learn about the meaning of patriotism for early Americans and those that fought in the first battle of the American Revolution. Then take part in patriotic crafts, gallery activities, and collection spotlights. Don't forget to wear your Red, White & Blue!

Free with Museum admission; Members free

**A Movie Under the Stars
Outdoor Movie
Night: *Captain America*
Tuesday, July 11
8:30 PM**

Spend your summer evening with the Concord Museum and *Captain America: The First Avenger* starring museum friend Chris Evans!



Free. Movie begins at 8:30 PM. Space is limited; arrive early. Bring a blanket or lawn chair for seating; refreshments will be available for purchase.

Summer Family Picnic



Ripley Playscape,
120 Meriam Road
Thursday, July 27th 6 PM

Back by popular demand

All Hands Drumming

<http://www.allhandsdrumming.com/>



Bring a picnic supper &
join the fun!