

# Children's Center Chronicle

Arroyo Grande United Methodist Children's Center visit us on the web at [worshipweekly.com](http://worshipweekly.com) July 2021

The Pre-K children accepted their certificates of completion at AGUMCC. We will miss them and wish them the best, as they move on to Kindergarten.



## BIBLE STORY TIME

We will read "The Voice at Night", from the Beginning Bible. 1 Samuel 3. Our "Moral Teaching" is "Responsibility".



## Parking Lot Safety

**SPEED LIMIT IS 5 MPH**

**Did you know it is unlawful...**

- 1) ..to leave children, **under the age of 12**, alone in a vehicle?
- 2) ..to leave your vehicle running, unattended?

**Celebrate our Independence!  
Happy Birthday USA!**

## WISH ITEMS

- \* 1 GALLON OF BUBBLES
- CASE BABY WIPES
- \* AA BATTERIES
- \* SANITIZING WIPES
- \* OUTDOOR CLOCK
- \*GALLON OF DRINKING WATER
- \* 5 OZ DRINKING CUPS

## Message from Ms. Maddy

**Welcome to AGUMCC's 16th year!** We are so glad that you have chosen AGUMCC to provide the best of care and early childhood education for your child. Currently our program has 36 students. Word of mouth is our best advertisement, so thank you for telling others about us! We still have openings in our Preschool Class for children who are able to use the toilet successfully on their own and 3 years of age by September 1.

**We hope you will share your summer time fun** with us by bringing in pictures or souvenirs to share from your family travels. Summer is a busy time for many families, as well as for the staff. Please let your child's teacher know if they will not be coming to school, because of vacation or due to illness. Teachers record absences related to illness on their classroom illness log.



**We appreciate your support in helping to keep everyone healthy.** A well balanced diet, plenty of rest, and regular hand washing are **KEY** to happy and healthy children, families, and staff. We ask, at the beginning of each day, that your child uses the hand sanitizer or washes his/her hands when they enter the program. As we travel from place to place we also bring with us germs and we'd like to keep them from spreading as much as possible. Leaving the facility we wash and/or sanitize as well. This will help prevent taking home any additional germs your children collected at school. Please review the visual aid, handwashing sheet, for proper handwashing methods.

**What makes AGUMCC different from other child care centers?** We offer a low child to teacher ratio. In the toddler program we maintain a 4:1 ratio. And in our preschool and TK classes it is 6:1. We pride ourselves on having a quality program that offers an Emergent Curriculum. Our staff follows the lead of the children and introduces new and exciting activities to sustain the children's interests over a period of time. This type of curriculum is socially and intellectually engaging as well as personally meaningful to the children.



## Thank You to our July

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### Ms. Rebecca's and Ms. Andrea's TK Class

Welcome! Welcome! Welcome! We are so excited for the new school year and getting to know all our new children and families. We are so looking forward to a new year of fun and learning! We will be handing out our information packets with more details about



what to expect in TK at the beginning of August. Our focus this month is primarily on getting to know one another better, becoming familiar with the classroom expectations and routines, all while exploring what the TK environment

has to offer in the way of activities, books, art projects, and outdoor fun. We cannot wait to get to know all of you better as we begin our journey of preparing the children for kindergarten and beyond. Keep an eye out on Child Pilot for a weekly lesson plan and summary of what we have prepared for the week to come each Sunday afternoon/evening. This is the best resource for information about TK, aside from speaking to us face-to-face during drop-off and pick-up. Thank you for the opportunity to care for your amazing children. Let the fun and learning begin!

~ Ms. Rebecca

### Ms. Elizabeth & Ms. Swati's Preschool Class

Welcome to the 2021-2022 year of Preschool! I am your child's new teacher, Miss Elizabeth, and I'm so excited for a new school year. Miss Swati and I welcome some new friends to AGUMCC in addition to welcoming back our graduating friends from the Toddler Class. I have sent home a welcome packet that tells you all about our Preschool class. This packet includes helpful information in regards to classroom expectations, the classroom environment and curriculum information. Please take time to read the packet and contact me with any questions you may have. I can be reached on the Child Pilot app and will return messages as soon as possible. Please make sure to send an extra change of clothes for your child to keep at school in case they are needed. In addition, for naptime, we ask that you send a fitted sheet, small blanket and a small stuffy to cuddle if needed.

During this month we will focus our talks and stories around the subject of "Our Families". This greatly encourages the bridge between home and school.

We want your child to be as comfortable with us as they are with you! We have sent home a "Family Board" project for you to do together. This board should include pictures of your child, their name, and pictures of their families. The sky's the limit. They can also include stickers, drawings, pictures of pets and anything they feel is special to them. Once the board is returned to school it will be laminated and made available for your child to view in the classroom.

July is all about getting to know each other as a new class. We will discuss some of the classroom expectations. Our main focus will be the three "Rules" of our class which are: "We are Kind, Safe, and Respectful". If we follow these primary rules, then the class is accepting and safe for all the children. I look forward to the spectacular opportunity of teaching this class of amazing kids. Thank you. In love, light and learning.

~ Miss Elizabeth

### Ms. Shirley and Ms. Cindy Bo's Toddler Class

*We want to welcome everyone into the Toddler's classroom! Cindy Bo and I are so excited to get started with the new year! As we get to know your children and their interests, we will make an effort to incorporate them on a regular basis into our weekly lesson planning and activities.*

*This past month was centered on summer fun and the beach, as many of our children talked about playdates with their classmates and friends at parks and beaches around town. We danced to our very popular Beach Boys CD, enjoyed the sunshine by laying on our beach towels, and boogie boarded in our pretend ocean. The children's imaginations were amazing as they pretended to put suntan lotion on each other and made comments like, "Don't get burned."*

*In July it will be a time for us to get to know each other as we transition into a new adventure at school. Some of our friends have been promoted to Preschool and we wish them well. We are also welcoming several new friends to the group. We will be looking to the friends who are staying with us another year to help out the new friends and show them how we play safely, respectfully, and care for one another all while playing and having a good time. For all our families, old and new, we will be holding an orientation meeting some time next month to give you a more formal review of what to expect in the Toddler room for the 2021-2022 school year. Until then, please let us know if you have any questions about your child's day or the program in general. Please know that your children are a very special gift from God and we are truly grateful that you entrust their care to us. We look forward to getting to know you all and have a healthy and blessed year together.*

*Blessings. ~ Ms. Shirley*

### CAN YOU HELP WITH LAUNDRY?

From time to time you may see a basket of laundry out front. Feel free to take it and bring it back.

**Ms. Maddy**