

Pineview News

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HAPPY SEPTEMBER!

Inspirational Quotes~

"No, dear brothers and sisters, I am still not all I should be, but I am focusing all my energies on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, I strain to reach the end of the race and receive the prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us up to heaven."

~Philippians 3:13-14

"Education is a better safeguard of liberty than a standing army."

~Edward Everett

From the Director ~

The start of September feels more like a "new year" than January 1st!

It can be refreshing and overwhelming, exciting and scary all at the same time...for children, parents and teachers! I know that our staff worked very hard on our work day last Friday to clean every toy and piece of equipment in every room! Even the gym equipment was washed! Classrooms were re-arranged and re-organized so that they would be new and exciting for all of the new and returning children on that first day of school. And it seemed that the first day of school went very well...only a few tears here and there, and each day this week has been better and better! Everyone seems to be settling in very nicely.



I would like to invite all of our new parents to stop in my office on the 2nd floor at any time to ask questions, share an idea or concern, no matter how big or small. (Of course, the invitation remains open to our returning parents, too!) I value feedback from all of you. I welcome the opportunity to explain what we are doing and why we do it and I always am looking for ways to improve our school. It is important to all of us here at Pineview that you are comfortable and confident in the care and education that your children are receiving. There is also a "Parent Participation Box" on the parent table on the 2nd floor for you to leave a note. I'm sure we won't be able to do everything that gets suggested or requested...but we can try!

Hopefully, everyone has a copy of the Parent Handbook which contains all of our policies plus lots of helpful information. If you did not receive one or lost your copy just stop in the front office and get one. Let's have a great year!

Kirsten

Enjoy a cup of coffee
and a donut
every other Tuesday!

7:30-9:00 am



Stay and chat
or take it to go!

Compliments of Pineview
Church

~News From the Office ~

Welcome to a new school year! If you are returning to Pineview, you may already know about the services we provide. Parents can request receipts for childcare reimbursement or tax purposes. FSA forms can be left in the tuition slot to be completed, signed and faxed, if you'd like. A confirmation of the fax is provided if it is faxed. Some parents have asked about automatic payments. We do accept automatic payments, but they are set up through your bank or bill-pay service. If you would like receipts, please leave a note in the tuition slot with your child's name. If you have any questions, please let me know. Thank you, and have a great school year!

Marilyn Kaufmann, Bookkeeper



Interested in learning more about Pineview church? Go to www.pineviewonline.org

Pre-K

Welcome to 206! We have a fun and exciting year planned in Pre-K this year. The children are going to be so busy having fun that they won't even realize how much they are learning each day.

During the month of September we will be getting to know each other with our "All

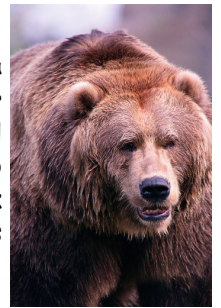


About Me" theme. We will also be learning about apples and bears. We'll be doing lots of fun projects and activities to go along with our themes. Please be sure to check your child's cubby frequently for important information pertaining to our classroom. Also please keep in mind that we go outside often, so be sure your child has weather ap-



Miss Alisa ~ Room 206

appropriate clothing. I look forward to a great year with your children. Please feel free to call or talk to me at drop off or pick up if any concerns arise.



Love, Miss Alisa & Miss Ann

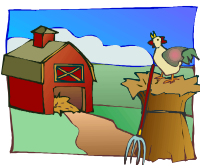
Pre-K



Welcome to a new year in Room 203! We are so excited to have your child in our room. This year is going to be packed full of learning and fun! We can't wait to get to know you and your child! We will start off learning about being good friends and good listeners, then we will jump right into our other fun

themes: farm animals, the letter 'C' and the letter 'A'. During each theme we will learn math, science, pre-writing & pre-reading, rhyming and many other important 'getting ready for Kindergarten' skills. For our Bible times we will learn about God's love and all He has made. God is great! Please remember to check the "Our Class News"

board each day for important information. Also, when you fill your child's extra clothes bin, please label everything with first and last names!! Any questions, please ask! We're looking forward to a wonderful year!



Love, Miss Abby & Miss Linda

Preschool

Welcome to the new school year! We are very eager and excited to get to know you and your children. We have a new classroom this year and are glad to have a bathroom right in the room! We will spend the first few weeks getting the kids and ourselves used to the new room and routine. Two of our



themes will be Welcome to school and Self. We have some exciting new things in our classroom this year. There are computers and a new doll house. We also have a brand new sensory table that we'll be making good use of. Watch for different colored sand to



appear from time to time. This month we say happy birthday to Miss Kathy on the 1st and Miranda on the 14th. If you have questions, feel free to ask. We are looking forward to a great year!

Love,
Lydia & Kathy



Miss Lydia ~ Room 209

Kids' Caboose

Greeting ECEC families! We are ready to embrace a new year of discovering, learning and making new friends! The Early Childhood Education Center is a wonderful school with a creative, caring staff of teachers. Our little, but proud, group known as "Kids Caboose" has many fun adventures awaiting us! Our first theme will be Me, Myself &

I. We give the children many opportunities to get to know each other through conversation, games and art. Every September we have a farm theme with lots of mud, mooing and music! We are hoping to take a class trip to Indian Ladder. More information will follow. A few reminders: -Please bring a jacket daily. -Keep the extra clothes bin

filled with weather appropriate clothes. -Bring a blanket and sheet each Monday. -There will be a daily report for you to read in their cubby binder. -ECEC open house will be the end of the month. I'm very excited to begin a new year with your children! Never hesitate to ask any questions at anytime!

Love, Miss Joy

Miss Joy



Pre-School

Miss EJ ~ Room 210

Dear Parents,
We welcome you to our class, 210, for the 2011-2012 school year!



We are pleased to have your child with us. We are thankful to God for bringing them to us and we pray that we may be a channel of blessing to these little, yet grown up, children of yours. For this month we will be learning about getting to know new friends, getting to know

our teachers, as well as getting to know our classroom. We will learn our classroom rules, our job assignments and our family style meal procedures. It's going to be a lot of fun learning all these things this fall.

We have a few reminders and notes to share with you. First, we do need family pictures to put on our classroom family tree. Second, we allow



your child's cuddly for nap time, however we also have soft cuddlies in our class if you forget it. No worries!

Again, we are so pleased to have you and your child with us. Feel free to approach us for anything!

God Bless!
Miss EJ & Miss Ashley



Toddlers

Miss Lorraine ~ Room 103

Toddlers

Miss Shawnie ~ Room 110



Welcome to a brand new year and brand new friends! "Make new friends but keep the old, on is silver and the other gold." I look forward to meeting each of you and welcoming your precious little one to our room. Our first couple of weeks we will spend getting to know each other. Miss Cindy and I are excited to help and watch your child grow and develop. Please be sure to mark all your child's belongings with their first name and last initial. Welcome to Room 103!

Love,
Miss Lorraine & Miss Cindy

Welcome to Room 110!
We are very excited to meet all of our new friends and get to know all of you! The month of September has us focusing on shapes, colors and learning our full names, as well as the new classroom routine. We are looking forward to a very fun year! Have a great month!



Love,
Miss Shawnie & Miss Ali

Toddlers

Miss Kathy ~ Room 112

Toddlers

Miss Renee ~ Room 109

Our new school year begins! Welcome to all new and returning students. Our class focuses on potty training, so jump aboard the Potty Train! Parents, please remember practice makes perfect at home and school. Please send in extra clothing, pull-ups with velcro sides or diapers (labeled with child's name).



This month our class theme is transportation—buses, fire trucks, trains and boats. Stop by and visit our room any time!

Love,
Miss Kathy & Miss Kim

We are very excited to start the new year! We will have some fun projects with apples this month, and we'll even do some cooking. This year we will focus on knowing our colors, counting and shapes.



Please check your child's extra clothes periodically to make sure they have a weather-appropriate change of clothes that fits!

If you have any questions, feel free to come to us anytime!

Love,
Miss Renee & Miss Sue

Waddlers

Miss Kathy ~ Room 108

Infants

Miss Ruth ~ Room 106

As we say "Happy Trails" to many of your children, we want to thank you for sharing them with us and for your support. We will miss them all.



We welcome Nicholas and Andrew who are moving up, as well as several children who are new to the center. We look forward to getting to know our new class. We'll be doing some art projects in fall colors this month. We'll spend as much time outside as we can, so don't forget your child's shoes!

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to speak to us!

Love,
Miss Kathy & Miss Jonnie

Welcome to a new school year. This will be a great year of growth and new things.

Just a reminder, please mark your babies' things. Bottles should have both first and last names. Check the daily report to see if diapers or other things are needed. Let us know when foods change or there is an increase in food or bottles.

Thank you for taking off your shoes at the door. If your child has a sibling at the preschool, please drop off the older one first, then the baby. Then pick up baby first, then the older child. Let us know of any questions!



Love, Miss Ruth & Miss Rosa

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**Infant Care
Preschool
Kindergarten**

Open 7:30 am - 5:30 pm

Mark your calendars ~

- October 9-15—Fire Prevention Week
- October 13 & 14—School Pictures
- October—Fall Fundraiser
- October 21—Pineview’s Pumpkin Patch (back field)
- November 21—Thanksgiving Feast
- November 24—School closed—Happy Thanksgiving!



**Pineview
Community Church
Welcomes You!**

Sunday Mornings:
10:30 am Worship Service

Nursery care available
for children 0 - 2

Kid’s Church
during service
for children ages
3 years—4th Grade

See the posters on 2nd
floor highlighting the
monthly virtues and Bible

The Cook’s Corner

Zucchini Fries

(www.raisehealthyeaters.com)

Ingredients:

- Zucchini
- 1 egg
- 3 T. milk
- 1/3 cup panko bread crumbs
- 1/3 cup shredded parmesan cheese
- a few grinds of fresh black pepper
- 1/4 tsp kosher salt

Directions:

Preheat oven to 450 degrees. Cut zucchini into small wedges or sticks. In a small bowl, whisk together egg and milk. In a separate bowl, mix together the remaining ingredients. Dunk the zucchini into egg mixture, then coat with bread crumb mixture. Place on foil lined pan sprayed with non-stick cooking spray. Bake for 25 minutes or until golden and tender.

The Strong-Willed Child

By Dr. James Dobson

One has to wonder why so many “experts” on parenting have failed to notice that some children are tougher to raise than others. One would never get that impression from reading the advice offered by this army of permissive psychologists, counselors, pediatricians, psychiatrists and columnists for women’s magazines, who are convinced that raising kids is as simple as falling off a log. All parents need to do, they have been saying for decades, is give them a lot of space, treat them like adults, and if absolutely necessary, explain every now and then why they might want to consider behaving better.

How nice it would be if that were true. Unfortunately, this rosy view is cruel nonsense. It leaves Mom and Dad with the impression that every other parent in the world finds it easy to lead children, and those who are having trouble with it are miserable failures. In most cases, it is not fair and it is not true.

Healthy parenting can be boiled down to those two essential ingredients: love and control. They must operate in a system of checks and balances. Any concentration on love to the exclusion of control usually breeds disrespect and contempt. Conversely, an authoritarian and oppressive home atmosphere is deeply resented by the child who feels unloved or even hated. The objective for the toddler years is to strike a balance between mercy and justice, affection and authority, love and control.

How Parents Can Lead a Strong-Willed Child

- ◆ You should not blame yourself for the temperament with which your child was born. She is simply a tough kid to handle, and your task is to match her stride for stride.
- ◆ Your strong-willed child is in greater danger because of his inclination to test the limits and the walls. Your utmost diligence and wisdom will be required to deal with him. You simply have to be tougher than he is, but do it without being angry and oppressive.

Look for more tips in next month’s newsletter!

