

NEWS FROM FIRST METHODIST PRESCHOOL  
AUGUST 2017



Child's name \_\_\_\_\_

Fall Group Number \_\_\_\_\_

## Fall Term Starts August 14

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FIRST METHODIST PRESCHOOL  
FALL 2017

CONTINUES FROG STREET CURRICULUM  
INFANT THROUGH 5 YEAR OLDS

***“WHAT YOU TEACH ME BIRTH TO THREE WILL BE WHAT MATTERS MOST TO ME. WHAT YOUR TEACH ME THREE TO FIVE WILL BE WHAT MAKES ME GROW AND THRIVE.”*** Dr. Pam Schiller, Senior Author  
Frog Street Press

First Methodist Preschool continues to teach the Frog Street curriculum. Frog Street Early Childhood Programs are built on 4 key cornerstones and developmental areas:

Language Development  
Cognitive Development

Social and Emotional Development  
Physical Development

Each classroom has a specific curriculum which will address those 5 developmental areas.

Our Group 4 class also participates in the grant “Texas School Ready”. Ashley Walker begins her second year in this program. The program uses the Frog Street Curriculum as well as other excellent and age appropriate concepts and a wealth of excellent materials.

You will be hearing more about the individual classes’ curriculum and plans. We know you will love being a part of fall at First Methodist Preschool, Mexia.  
Sherry Miller, Director



**CHAPEL TIME WILL START THE DAY OFF RIGHT!**

**Ms. Sherry will again be leading chapel time for Groups 2 through 4 this fall to start the day praising God through music and hearing Bible stories each morning. The themes start with Creation and Old Testament stories of Noah, Abraham, Joseph, and Moses. The children hear the Bible Story each day told in a different way (flannel board, marker board, books, puppets, pictures, etc.). Chapel time is a great way to start the day for everyone!**

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**Summer Reading Program**

Gibbs Library Reading Program End Parties Coming Soon  
Celebration parties for the end of the summer reading program will be Aug. 2 (Group 6 at the Library 3 pm)  
And Aug. 4 (Group 3 and 4 at 2:30 here at Preschool)  
Children who reached their goals will receive rewards!

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**Optional Program for the Fall Term**



**GYMNASTICS** Jean Ann May will again offer gymnastics classes at FMP. These classes begin on August 23. These classes are open to Children Ages 2 ½ and up on Wednesday mornings. Weekly classes go through mid May and the cost is \$32.00 per month regardless of the number of Wednesdays in the month. Most months have 4 Wed., a few have 3 or 5, but we average about 4 per month. If you are interested in enrolling, please return the permission slip attached as soon as possible. **AUGUST CHARGE IS \$16.00 FOR TWO WEDNESDAYS – AUGUST 23 AND 30.**

***ALL CHILDREN INTERESTED NEED TO COMPLETE PERMISSION SLIP FOR FALL 2017 – EVEN IF THEY WERE IN THE SUMMER GYMNASTICS PROGRAM. WE RE-ENROLL FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR. THANKS.***

**2017-18 Preschool Fall Calendar and Holiday Schedule**

August 14	Fall Term Begins
September 4	Closed For Labor Day
October 18	Fall Festival and Kids Carnival at FUMC Mexia
October 31	Halloween Parties morning and Trunk or Treat that evening
November 23/24	Closed for Thanksgiving
December 25/26	Closed for Christmas
January 1	Closed for New Year's
January 15	Martin Luther King

**FALL CALENDAR OF EVENTS, FIELD TRIPS, SPECIAL ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER.**

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