

Annandale United Methodist Church



Another year has come and gone, and again I find myself wondering where it went. The children are all so happy, learning so much, and having so much fun, it's a shame for them to leave now! The teachers have already begun to get weepy-eyed at the thought of saying good-bye. It is so amazing to watch the children as they progress throughout the year. They have grown and changed so much. They have clearly developed their individual little personalities and are exerting their independence more with each day that passes.

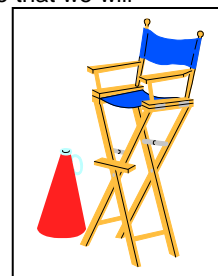
It's so much fun to see everyone enjoying the wonders of spring as they have been observing caterpillars spin their chrysalises and then experiencing the miracle of a "metamorphosis"!

Spring Science Camp will take place this month! We will be moving classroom experiences outdoors as much as possible. Our Science Teacher Mrs. Chapman has been working hard to plan a fun curriculum of experiments and exploration on the topic of Machine Madness-Simple Machines. They will learn about force, levers, pulleys, inclined planes as well as wheels and axels.

You will be receiving your Annual Program Evaluation in the next two weeks. Please be aware that your responses will remain anonymous. We use the information gathered from these evaluations to facilitate growth and improvement throughout the program. Please be thoughtful in completing these forms and return them by May 24th so that we will have time to tabulate the responses and publish them to you. Please complete one for each child, and each class your child attends. Thank you so much for your attention to this!

I'd like to remind everyone to clip and save those General Mills Box Tops for Education over the summer!

Let me share once again what a pleasure it has been to spend it with you and your precious children! THANK YOU for all you have done for the school this year by volunteering and donating for various efforts....but most of all, for blessing all our hearts by allowing us to share in these crucial years in the life of a child. Have a fabulous summer!



Michelle Shepard



Our teachers are very excited and looking forward to their luncheon next week! Thank you in advance for your donations of food, time, talents, supplies, and/or money that you always contribute to our Teacher Appreciation Luncheon!

Additional thanks go out to Susanne Maurer, Melissa Snyder, and Emily Workman for organizing the luncheon. In addition to providing the food and needs for the luncheon, your generosity is allowing them to purchase gift cards to the Great American Restaurants for each teacher!

Your generosity of time, thought, and heart is ever so appreciated!

This month at a glance...

- April 30-May 16 - WPS/ELP Parent-Teacher conferences
- May 15 - Volunteer Appreciation Drop-In (9:00 - 10:30)
- May 24 - Program Evaluations are due
- May 27 - Memorial Day - No school
- May 30 - June 2020 Tuition deposit & Materials Fee due! Please remit immediately to hold your child's placement for the fall
- May 20-May 31- WPS/ELP Science Camp
- June 4 - The Great Zucchini Show
- June 6 & 7 - WPS 4 yr old Graduation Ceremonies
- June 11 - Last day of classes
(Ext. Day classes will be in session, but NO LATE DAY.)
- July 1 - All 2019-20 school forms are due.
- July 1 -- Deadline for classroom changes/ withdrawals to apply for a refund.
- July 8-12 - AUMC Vacation Bible School

Good News! You already paid June's tuition for the 2018-2019 School Year when you registered, so after this month, you should be all paid up for this year!

Volunteer Appreciation Drop-In

Wednesday, May 15th
9:00-10:30AM



Room 209

Parent involvement is key to the success of any school, and at AUMC, we have the best parents around! We would love the opportunity to show you our appreciation for the time and love you give whether it be chairing a committee, volunteering for an event, helping with a fund-raiser, or assisting in a classroom. Please come by for a few little treats after you drop off your child in class, and allow us to offer a small token of our appreciation! Simply put, we couldn't do it without you!

Missing something??

Before school is out, please
check the Lost & Found
drawer in the Office!

We have accumulated quite the collection
of gloves, hats, jackets, toys, etc.

We will also set a lost & found box
Near the entrance at Door #2



Please note that remaining items will be donated to
ACCA Clothes Bank on June 17th.

Vacation Bible School

July 8-12

9:00AM — 12:00NOON

Hear stories, create unique crafts, play games, enjoy great
snacks every day, time with friends,
and lots more fun

Ages: *3 yrs. old through completed 4th grade
*must be age 3 by Sept. 30, 2018 and toilet trained

For more information, call Ruth Anne Luckenbaugh at
703-256-8330

Numerous parents played a part in making our
school year so successful by taking a leadership
role on one of our committees, or chairing
one of our events or fund-raisers which
were held throughout this school year.
We'd like to recognize them here:



Charleston Wrap Fund-raiser Chairs:

Laura Morrow

Scholastic Book Fair Chairs:

Elizabeth D'Cruz

Box Tops & Labels for Education Coordinator:

Kathleen Montecinos

Teacher Appreciation Luncheon:

Susanne Maurer
Melissa Snyder
Emily Workman

Parent Coffee Guest Speaker:

Lauren Bishop
Alka Manieri

Weekday Child Development Committee Parent Representatives:

Susanne Maurer
Laura Morrow



April 29-May 16

PARENTS ONLY, please!

Spring conferences are designed for teachers to share what they have observed of your child's growth and development this year. The conferences are not mandatory, but are highly encouraged. Sign-ups are done via each classroom's web page. Appointments are first-come, first served, so get your time slot reserved quickly! Please understand that in the interest of keeping classroom disruption at a minimum, conferences are limited to the stated times. We can only pull the lead teacher out for one full day plus one afternoon to hold conferences. If your child comes on a different day than your teacher's conferences are scheduled, you may need to make childcare arrangements or schedule a separate conference with your teacher. We apologize in advance for any inconvenience this might cause.