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MILLCREEK CHILDREN'S CENTER'S

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SUMMER OF FUN - 2012 From the Desk

Millcreek Children's Center had a very productive and successful summer school program this year. We had an average daily attendance of 25 student's ages 3-5 years old. We were fortunate to receive a Dollar General Grant, which assisted in funding the special events for our summer program. One field trip was taken each week in addition to a special "visitor" who came to the center to spend time with the children. All extra activities coincided with our teacher's lesson plans for the week. The last day of school was celebrated with our families, where we joined together for a day of games, food, face painting, fortune telling and fellowship.



SUMMER FUNDRAISING

We started a new tradition this summer with our "First Annual Community Sale", Friday August 3rd. The turnout was tremendous and after all expenses were paid we generated a profit of \$606.80. We want to thank all those who so generously donated sale items, time and energy to make this such a successful event, as well as our "shoppers" who made the day very enjoyable!! Thank you everyone.



Spirit Day at Handels Ice Cream was also a summer fundraiser. Special coupons were available for anyone going to Handels on Thursday the 2nd of August between the hours of 3:00p.m. and 9:00p.m. Millcreek Children's Center received 20% of all coupon sales generated that night. Our total was \$26.04, not bad for a first time event.

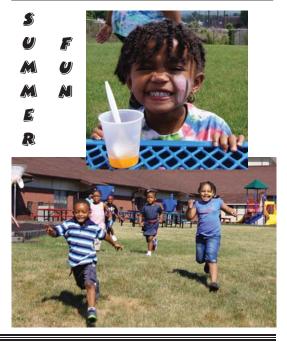
We look forward to doing these projects again next year with even bigger and better profits!!

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With the school year fast approaching, I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all of our students and their families to Millcreek Children's Center. We have many new and exciting programs planned for this school year and we hope that our families will take an active part in the learning process for your child.

The Center is open from 7:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. and we welcome visitors at any time. I will be available to meet with families on a regular basis. Our "Open House" will be held on Tuesday the 4th of September from 9:00a.m. -12:00p.m. and 1:00p.m. - 4:00p.m. All staff will be on hand to give tours, show off their classrooms and welcome students to the center. Refreshments will be served and we hope to see everyone on the 4th!!

Mary Jane Gingher



Upcoming Events

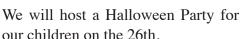
School starts on <u>Wednesday the 5th of September</u> with a full calendar of special events planned for the first few months.

In **September,** we will celebrate the changing of the seasons with a "Fall Fest".



The children will learn about the seasons, changing weather and different foods associated with "Fall".

October, in a child's eye means one thing, no not the World Series, but Halloween!!



***Please watch for additional information about each event as it gets closer to the time and date.

Notices will be sent home with your child well in advance to keep you informed of everything. **November** brings with it a time to celebrate families and friendships while counting our many blessings. This year we are going to cook and serve our first annual Thanksgiving Luncheon for our children and their

children and the families on the 15th and 16th of November.

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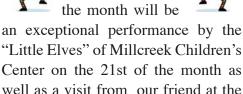
Parent / Teacher conferences will be held on the 5th and 6th of the month from 4:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.

December is a special time of year



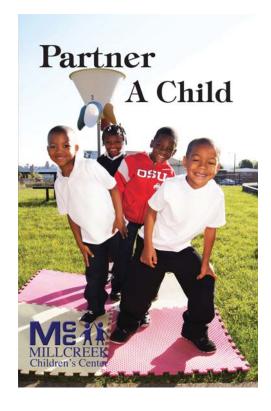
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for everyone for many different reasons. One of the highlights of the month will be



Partner A Child Program

Our Partner A Child Campaign is in full swing. Please contact the center at any time for brochures and information on how you can help. We appreciate any and all donations and our children are ever grateful.



New Programs

We are implementing several new programs, to go along with our educational process, this fall. The children will participate in a "Fit For The Future" course on a daily basis, "It's In The Bag Cooking Class" three times weekly, "Creative Corner" twice weekly

and Dina Dinosaur School, which helps teach social skills and team building efforts everyday. These activities will be in addition to our



already established successful preschool education along with our vision and foot screening and a visit from our friendly neighborhood dentist.

There will also be a rewards system called MCC Bucks for the kids that go above and beyond in their classroom. This reward system will give the kids an opportunity to earn these bucks and spend them once they have reached a certain amount. The more bucks they earn the bigger the reward.



