

The Learning Tree

Monthly Newsletter

March 2020



Easter Family Chapel Time & Egg Hunts

April 6 or April 7
11 am

Families invited to join us for a special Easter message from Mrs. Stacy followed by an Egg Hunt. No need to bring a basket, we'll provide everything you need.



Mark Your Calendar

A few school days have been added to the calendar to make-up for recent snow and flooding cancellations. The are:

Pre-K: March 18

Preschool: May 19

Car Safety



Motor vehicle fatalities are a leading cause of death in infants and children. Proper use of safety restraints can cut the risk of injury or death in half. Be sure you are up to date with the latest recommendations to keep your child safe in the vehicle. Tips from the CDC include:

- Keep children in rear facing seats as long as possible, until they reach the upper weight limits of their seat. (ages 2-4)
- All children under the age of 12 should be buckled in the back seat.
- Never place a rear facing car seat in front of an air bag in the front seat.
- Buckle children in the middle of the back seat whenever possible. It is the safest place in the vehicle.
- Buckle children in car seats, booster seats, or seat belts on every trip, no matter how short.
- Be a good example, always fasten your own seat belt and don't text and drive.
- Visit cdc.gov for more information.

Aloha, Mrs. Fontaine

As you may have heard, Mrs. Fontaine, our Cherry Tree Assistant Teacher is soon moving to Hawaii. We will wish her *aloha* with a special snack on her final day at the Learning Tree, March 11.

If your child would like to make her a card or draw her a picture, we're sure she would treasure these as she moves on to new adventures. Though we are sad to see Mrs. Fontaine go, and she's leaving big shoes to fill, Eve Mitchell, our Pear Tree Assistant Teacher is ready to step into the Cherry Tree class.



Buckle Kids Right: Know the Stages

1. Rear-facing

Birth until age 2-4*



2. Forward-facing

After outgrowing rear-facing seat until at least age 5**



3. Booster Seats

After outgrowing forward-facing seat and until seat belts fit properly***



4. Seat Belts

When they fit properly and throughout life***



Always properly buckle children aged 12 and under in the back seat!

*As long as possible, until they reach the maximum weight or height limit of their rear-facing car seat.

**Until they reach the maximum weight or height limit of their forward-facing car seat.

***Proper seat belt fit usually occurs around 4 feet 9 inches tall and age 9-12. Seat belts fit properly when the lap belt lays across upper thighs (not the stomach) and the shoulder belt lays across the chest (not the neck).

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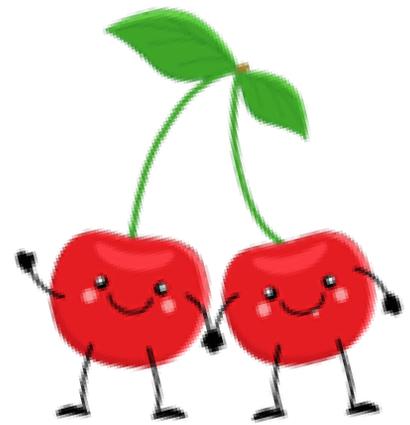
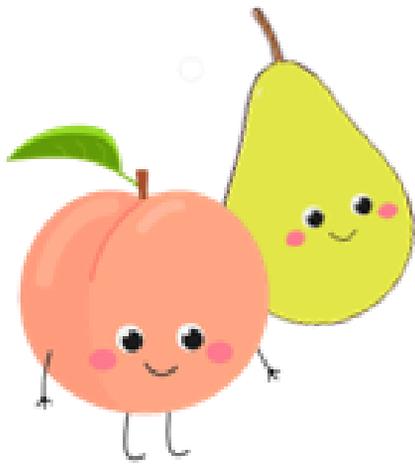


Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1	2 Scrip Orders Due	3 Preschool Chapel Time	4 Pre-K Chapel Time	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 Aloha, Mrs. Fontaine	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 Learning Tree OPEN: Pre-K make-up snow day	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29		31 Scrip Orders Due				

Coming Soon in April:

April 6 & 7: Easter Chapel Time & Egg Hunts (Families Invited)

April 3 - 13 (Learning Tree Closed)



2019-2020 Calendar

August 19	First Day of PreK	January 20	Learning Tree Closed: MLK Day
August 20	First Day of Preschool	January 24	Prime Timers & PreKs
September 2	Learning Tree Closed: Labor Day	February 2	2020-2021 Closed Registration Begins
September 3	Preschool Chapel Time	February 3	PreK Chapel Time
September 4	PreK Chapel Time	February 4	Preschool Chapel Time
September 24	Learning Tree Closed: District 90 Early Release	February 12	PreK Valentine Party / Donuts with Grown-Ups
September 27	Prime Timers & PreKs	February 13	Preschool Valentine Party / Donuts with Grown-Ups
September 30	PreK Chapel Time	February 14	Learning Tree Closed: District 90 P/T Conferences
October 1	Preschool Chapel Time	February 17	Learning Tree Closed: President's Day
October 11	Learning Tree Closed: District 90 P/T conferences	February 23	2020-2021 Open Registration Begins
October 14	Learning Tree Closed: Columbus Day	February 28	Open House 3-5 pm
October 25	Learning Tree Closed: District 90 Teacher Institute	February 28	Learning Tree Preschool Open: Pre-K Make-Up Day
October 29	Preschool Halloween Parade	March 3	Preschool Chapel Time
October 30	PreK Halloween Parade	March 4	PreK Chapel Time
October 31	Learning Tree Closed: District 90 Early Release	March 18	Learning Tree Preschool OPEN: Pre-K Make-Up Day
November 4	Parent/Teacher Conferences	March 27	Prime Timers & PreKs
November 5	PreK Chapel Time	April 6	PreK Family Chapel Time and Egg Hunt
November 5	Parent/Teacher Conferences	April 7	Preschool Family Chapel Time and Egg Hunt
November 5	Preschool Chapel Time	April 8-13	Learning Tree Closed: Spring Break
November 11	Learning Tree Closed: Veteran's Day	April 12	Easter
November 22	Prime Timers & PreKs	April 24	Prime Timers & PreKs
November 25	PreK Thanksgiving Feast	May 4	Parent/Teacher Conferences
November 26	Preschool Thanksgiving Feast	PreK Chapel Time	PreK Chapel Time
November 27-29	Learning Tree Closed: Thanksgiving	May 5	Parent/Teacher Conferences
December 2	PreK Chapel Time	Preschool Chapel Time	Preschool Chapel Time
December 3	Preschool Chapel Time	May 15	PreK Graduation: 6:30 PM
December 18	PreK Family Chapel Time, Christmas Party, and Service Project	May 19	Preschool Make-Up Day
December 19	Preschool Family Chapel Time, Christmas Party, and Service Project	May 25-29	Learning Tree Closed
December 20	Learning Tree Closed: District 90 Early Release	June 2	Summer Parents' Morning Out Begins
December 23-	Learning Tree Closed: Christmas		
January 6			
January 9	Preschool Chapel Time		
January 10	PreK Chapel Time		



**Play Café meets every Tuesday & Wednesday from 9-10 am in the OFFUMC gym.

***Mom's Bible Study meets Tuesdays from 9:30-11 am. Childcare provided. Contact Pastor Becky, rwilliams@offumc.org, for more information.