

September 2023 Newsletter



Children's Lighthouse

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Dear Parents,

Welcome to the start of another fantastic year here at Children's Lighthouse! We have a lot of dedicated and enthusiastic teachers who are planning for a great year.

As the weather begins to change, please pay special attention to your child's extra set of clothes that are kept here, as well as their need for a jacket. We will go outside every day, either on the playground or covered porch. Please make sure everything that your child brings to school is **clearly labeled** with their name. This helps us ensure that everything gets back to the right place.

Our half circle drive is for bus drop off and deliveries. Please do not park there or block.

Thank you,

Brandy Crumley, Director

School Closings - Holidays

Below is a list of the holidays we will be closed over the next year.

Monday, 9/4/23 – Labor Day
Monday, 10/9/23– In service Day
Wednesday, 11/22/23- **Close at Noon**
Thursday, 11/23/23 – Thanksgiving Day
Friday, 11/24/23– Friday after Thanksgiving
Friday, 12/22/23 – **Close at 3pm**
Monday, 12/25/23 – Christmas Day
Tuesday, 12/26/23- Closed
Monday, 1/1/24 – New Year's Day
Monday, 2/19/24 – In Service Day
Friday, 3/29/24 – Good Friday
Monday, 5/27/24 – Memorial Day
Thursday, 7/4/24 – Independence Day
Friday, 7/5/24 – Closed

Healthy Plate Solutions; Food Program

Please check in with Ms. Candice at the front desk to make sure all your forms are current for the new school year!

Dates to Remember

View our online calendar at
www.childrenslighthouse.com/cedarpark

September 4th

Children's Lighthouse will be closed for Labor Day

September 8th

Friday Night Lights!
Jeans and Jersey Day

September 11th

Red, White & Blue Day – wear your favorite patriotic shirt today!

September 15th

Friday Night Lights
Jeans and Jersey Day

September 22th

Dress like a Pirate Day – to celebrate International Talk like a Pirate Day!

September 28th

School Spirit Day!
Jeans and Jersey



For updates and photos please like us on Facebook!

September Character Value

cooperation
working together

September Classroom Themes

Infants:
Big & Little

Toddlers:
Little Animals

Preschool, Pre-K & School-Age:
All About Me, Pets, Apples & Wild Animals

"Play is the work of childhood." – Mr. Rogers

Curriculum & Supply Fees Due by Sept 8th

Raising Brilliant Children

Adapted from "**Becoming Brilliant: What Science Tells Us About Raising Successful Children**"
by Kathy Hirsh-Pasek and Roberta Golinkoff

This article introduced the concept of the 6 C's of effective child development. At Children's Lighthouse we use each of these concepts in our planning and interactions to help ensure a well-rounded learning environment for each child

Collaboration is everything from getting along with others to controlling your impulses so you can get along and not kick someone else off the swing. It's building a community and experiencing diversity and culture. Everything we do, in the classroom or at home, has to be built on that foundation.

Communication comes next, because you can't communicate if you have no one to communicate with. This includes speaking, writing, reading, and that all-but-lost art of listening.

Content is built on communication. You can't learn anything if you haven't learned how to understand language, or to read.

Critical thinking relies on content, because you can't navigate masses of information if you have nothing to navigate to.

Creative innovation requires knowing something. You can't just be a monkey throwing paint on a canvas. It's the 10,000-hour rule: You need to know something well enough to make something new.

Confidence. You have to have the confidence to take safe risks. There isn't an entrepreneur or a scientific pioneer who hasn't had failures. And if we don't rear children who are comfortable taking risks, we won't have successes.