

Dear parents:

As summer unfolds, we are excited to welcome another twelve weeks of fun and adventure. Each child enrolled in our program has made tremendous improvements in demonstrating proper peer interaction as well as walking through various developmental stages. Now your child is ready for the next step; our summer camps...

Each summer session consist of two weeks and your child will benefit the most attending all three days of the week as it offers a healthy consistency. All of our summer camp sessions are designed and inspired by the concept of *art*. As a result of exploring such concept, children will learn to use art as a fun tool for self-expression. Some of the art projects such as photograph collages are purposely designed to teach children to enjoy the process rather than final product. There will be no "right" or "wrong" way to complete such projects, which encourage children to follow their natural instincts and freely choose the photograph that reflects their curiosity. Gardening, creating murals and various collages are the perfect ideas to accomplish such goals. In contrast, we will also introduce some projects, which will be only completed by following certain steps and creating a final product. The purpose of such activities is to enhance children's confidence. Once they start with only paint and plastic spoons and make a beautiful flower, they can proudly look at the final project and say: "I did it".

This balance combination of projects along with the other daily activities such as music and movement, story time, puppet shows and other large group activities predict a fun summer for all of the children. See you then...

Some reminders:

- ** Please remember to stay away from the windows after dropping off your child. Your child will be less distracted if you are seen only when it's time to go home.
- ** Once you drop off your child, please remember to sign our attendance sheet.
- ** Our daily schedule starts at 9:00 a.m. Our staff use the time before then to maximize the quality of our program. Please make sure you stay with your child in the classroom before 9:00a.m. and after 12:00 noon.

** Please remember to use CSLOT entrance upon your arrival. In order to insure safety for your child, it is necessary you sign both CSLOT sign in sheet as well as the sheet at yikes tikes.

** Children are often so intrigued by puppet shows or other activities during circle time that they would like to retell the stories through their drawings. Even though, our curriculum is designed to offer one art project per day, we would like to support children's curiosity and creativity by making adjustments to match our routines to children's interest. So, please ask them about their simple drawings. You will be amazed by the stories behind pictures...