

July 29,2008

Dear Parents,

Enclosed is the new child registration form for the nursery, toddler, and preschool programs. Please take a moment to fill out the appropriate registration forms for each child participating on Sunday morning.

**Nursery-** Children birth – age two. Cara Taylor is our permanent childcare provider. We have a parent volunteer scheduled for each week to assist her. The parent volunteer schedules will be mailed within the next few weeks. The nursery provides an assortment of snacks including cheerios, goldfish, and animal crackers. **Drinks are not provided.** Please feel free to bring in a drink for your child. If your child drinks from a bottle **please make sure it is labeled.** If your child uses a cup, please make sure it is **labeled and that it is spill-proof.** It is necessary to only use spill proof cups as we are finding upside down cups leaking into toys creating a mess and an unsanitary environment. We have new flooring and cubbies in the nursery. Please feel free to bring in diapers, a change of clothes, etc. to leave in your child's cubby.

Please be mindful that we try to keep the nursery as healthy as possible. Therefore, if your child has a fever, diarrhea, vomiting, or contagious illness we ask that you refrain from placing them in the nursery.

When dropping off or picking up your child please remember that we need to keep the door closed at all times. As much as we would love fellowship to occur, the nursery is not large enough to accommodate groups of parents socializing in the nursery. It is a very difficult situation but our foremost concern is that when the parents are dropping off or picking up their children, other children are trying to wander out of the nursery. This creates a safety and security concern. **Please refrain from walking on the new mats with heels. Please make sure you sign your child in & out each week. Beepers are available in the nursery for your convenience.**

**Toddler Room-** Ages 2-3 years old. The toddler room is located in the smaller preschool classroom downstairs. Heather Costanza is our permanent childcare provider in the toddler room. Youth volunteers rotate weekly to assist Heather. Snacks are provided each week. The toddler room began last January and has been a wonderful addition to the children's program. The children have age-appropriate activities and have been enjoying their time with Heather. **Children do not need to be potty trained to be in the toddler room.** There is a bathroom inside of the classroom for the children but we will work with each family on what is best for each individual child.

**Preschool program** - children who are age 3 **by September 30** to Pre-Kindergarten. If your child turns 3 **After September 30** they will be assigned to the toddler room until the following fall semester. We follow the age requirements of the Lawrenceville Presbyterian Coop Nursery School. There will be three teachers rotating in the preschool: Christine Madzy, Amy Maurer, and Stephanie DallePazze. Having only three teachers creates a consistency for the children. Parent and Youth volunteers will assist the teachers each week. The children will have free play, music, Bible story circle time, a craft, and snack each week.

**Children do not need to be potty trained to be in the preschool room.** There is a bathroom inside of the classroom for the children but we will work with each family on what is best for each individual child. We do not have the facilities to change children downstairs but we can work out “a plan” with each family on an individual basis.

Please be mindful that we try to keep the toddler room and preschool as healthy as possible. Therefore, if your child has a fever, diarrhea, vomiting, or contagious illness we ask that you refrain from placing them in the toddler room or preschool.

We are trying to maintain a safe, healthy, and nurturing environment for our children and appreciate your support. Please feel free to contact me with any questions. 609 896-1212 ext. 107

Peace,

Robyn Campbell