

Newsletter: July Edition

Haven for Tots Daycare
& Preschool
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WELCOME BACK!

Thank you for all of your patience and understanding through the months of closure due to the COVID19 pandemic. We hope all of you and your families are and have remained safe and healthy during these uncertain times.

In an attempt to stop the spread of COVID19, Haven has taken the following precautionary measures upon reopening the Daycare:

- All staff have been tested prior to returning to work
- Staff members are wearing masks during all hours
- Surfaces considered "High Touch" are disinfected frequently during the day
- Children are receiving health screening each morning, including getting their temperature checked. Per DCFS and the CDC guidelines, any person with a temperature of 100.4 or higher will **not** be permitted in the facility

Reminders:

- Children aged 3 or higher **must come to Daycare with a mask** for use in common areas.
- Please make sure you are washing both your hands and your child's hand each morning at drop off and each afternoon during pick up
- We are only allowing **one family at a time** into the daycare for your safety and ours. **Please be patient with this while we attempt to follow social distancing guidelines.**
- Please remember that clothing should be weather appropriate and all sandals **must** have a back on them
- Please remember to follow Haven's "9 o'clock rule." If you are running late, please give the daycare a call and let us know-we typically give count at 9 am for lunch and snack purposes.

Pre-kindergarten Graduation 2020

Congratulations to the Haven for Tots Daycare & Preschool class of 2020! While this year was not our conventional graduation, we wanted to attempt a "social distance" graduation and it came out wonderful! Most of our graduates have been with Haven since they were infants, and some we have gotten to know well in the past year. All graduates will be significantly missed once the new school-year rolls around! Thank you to Miss Christina and Miss Red for making this special day possible with everything going on outside of the classrooms and sending our children off with a party! Thank you to Pastor Moeller, who is responsible for setting up our sound equipment outside and without whom it wouldn't have been as successful.

A special thank you to our pre-kindergarten parents who have trusted us with their children and made graduation possible during a pandemic. It was so nice to see the children playing together outside again!

Congratulations!



While small in numbers, this class is full of personality!

A look Inside the Classrooms:

Infants:

Hello Parents!

It is a pleasure to welcome your children back into our classrooms! I am the newest addition to Haven for Tots as the Infant room teacher. My name is Katelyn, or the students call me Miss Kate. While in the Infant room we focus on hands on learning. Our goal is to teach our students positive ways of expressing themselves both emotionally and creatively. We as teachers want to create a space at Haven that feels like a second home for our students. It is our passion to make sure each of your kids has a place where they feel at ease and are excited to return for another fun day at Haven. Here at Haven, we maintain a clean, healthy work and learning space. We sanitize our classrooms multiple times a day. Handwashing and the taking of temperatures are both mandated and enforced before entering Haven. We as a staff want nothing but the best for your children's wellbeing. We are looking forward to what the Summer has in store! thank you for your patience and understanding during this time. We are so glad to have you all back!

-Miss Megan, Miss Jessica, and Miss Kate

Toddlers:

We are continuing to learn through play as we sing, read, talk about, and play with items that help us with our ABC's, colors, shapes, and animals. Every week we will focus on a different theme and send home projects that are colorful and fun! Feel free to send in extra clothes and a towel to splash around with our sprinklers and water table! We want to welcome back Remy and Nora! Weather permitting, we will have water play on Thursdays. Please contact us at:

toddlers@havenfortots.org

-Miss Melanie and Miss Andrea

Twos:

We are having such a great time, and can't wait for more to come! We will be making a lot of crafts, making our own snacks, and trying out new activities. Themes for the month include: July 6th- Dinosaurs, July 13th- Disney, July 20th- Camping, July 27th-Superheros. Dates to remember: July 15th- virtual Field Trip (wear a Disney shirt and bring in a Disney show and tell) July 22nd: Wear your PJs! We will be making s'mores. July 29th: Dress like a superhero!

-Miss Tammy and Miss Melissa

Preschool:

Hey everyone, can't believe it's July already-it's going to be a BLAST! We are doing activities from fireworks to super hero's to bubbles and ice cream! Can't wait to get started. Please remember to send your child in safe and comfortable shoes. Continue to have a fun and safe summer!

-Miss Janet and Miss Carmen

Pre-Kindergarten:

Welcome to the second month of Summer 😊 We want to thank all of our families for working so amazing with us during this transition stage. Please update cubbies with weather appropriate clothing and please remember ALL students are required to come in with masks on for everyone's protection. This month, we will explore our creative and artistic side. Each week has a different theme in which will be posted on our calendar. Every Wednesday will be a show and tell theme.

-Miss Christina and Miss Red

July Birthdays

Natalie Reu- July 6th

Oliver Theroux- July 11th

Thomas Novotney- July 12th

Clark Fruhwirth- July 29th



QUOTE OF THE MONTH:

“Train your mind to see the good in everything. Positivity is a choice. The happiness of your life depends on the quality of your thoughts.”

DATES TO REMEMBER:

July 3rd: Haven closed in honor of Independence Day

