



Dear Parents,

MCHL would like to welcome you and your child to our Summer Program. All of us who will be working with your children are looking forward to another fun and exciting summer.

Our first week of summer went very smoothly. Many children switched classrooms but fortunately our staff is constant. The reticent toddlers were comforted and reassured by familiar faces as they made the big change to upstairs!

Last Friday, when MCHL was closed to the families, it was open for the teachers who were busy creating exciting and fun projects for the children. We are starting the summer off with "Little Chefs" as our theme. The children will continue to use the Montessori materials throughout the summer under the guidance of our experienced staff.

Our Summer Program will feature the following:

June 18-29	"Little Chefs"
July 2-6	"Happy Birthday U.S.A."
July 9-20	"Under the Sea"
July 23-Aug. 3	"Fitness Fun"
Aug. 6 -17	"The Storybook World of Eric Carle"

During the week of July 4th, we will celebrate the USA in preschool fashion! Camp will include lots of red, white and blue glitter, a school-wide parade and patriotic songs to toast our country on its birthday.

We also have an in-house performance planned for the summer months:

August 2 Tim Hall the Magician/9:30 and 10:30

As a special treat, "Wacky Friday's" (Upper Level only) will return on June 29th! The schedule is below:

6/29	Pajama Day
7/13	Crazy Hat Day
7/27	Sports Jersey Day
8/10	Inside Out Day

A morning and afternoon snack is also offered to all children every day. A schedule for family donations to the daily class snack is being sent home to supplement and add variety to the MCHL pantry items of pretzels, goldfish, vanilla wafers, animal crackers and graham crackers. We suggest fresh fruit, popsicles, yogurts, mini-muffins and string cheese as these are popular items with the children.

We also take the children outside every day, if the weather permits, so please apply sunblock to your child before he/she arrives at school. If you have a sunscreen authorization form on file in the office, we will re-apply the sunblock you have provided at 3:00 if we are going outside.

Also, please let us know when your child will be away for vacation or if your child is not coming to school due to illness. We like to inform other families when something contagious, such as a case of strep throat, has been diagnosed in a class.

It has been a pleasure meeting all of you who are new to MCHL and it is great to have some of our full-time children with us during the summer.

As always, if you have any questions, please contact us. We wish you all a wonderful summer.

Sincerely,
The MCHL Summer Program Staff