

READINESS MAY NEWSLETTER



We've been in school for 137 days and we can't believe it's our final month together. For many of you, this may be an emotional time.



For those who are watching their oldest leave the world of preschool, it can be scary and exciting to see what Kindergarten will be like. For those that are the youngest and this is your last year at Concordia it can be hard too. So many of you have formed friendships through the preschool and we really hope these friendships continue. It's emotional for us as well as your children have become a part of our lives. Our families have gotten used to hearing all our stories about the children in our class and it's funny when they ask how this one or that one is doing. We've watched many of your children grow up at Concordia (especially those that we knew as infants) and will cherish the memories we have made with them. Nothing makes us happier when we see our Readiness alumni succeeding in life!

May will bring us Mother's Day, Outer Space Week, Alex's Lemonade Stand, Donuts for Dads, some fun secret days that we have planned, and of course our Graduation!

We are looking forward to our outdoor Mother's Day Tea on Wednesday, May 10th and our Donuts for Dads on Tuesday, May 16th. The children have already started the planning process and are so excited to welcome you to our special day! We hope you can all attend. If for some reason you are unable, please let me know so that we can plan for it. Please remember that we do ask that this be a special time for you and your Readiness child. Hopefully, you can secure a sitter for any siblings at home. I still remember my first Mother's day tea at Concordia and hope that you make some amazing memories at yours.

Our caterpillars have arrived and we will continue to keep track of their changes in our Caterpillar journals. We will patiently await our butterflies to emerge from their chrysalises and will release them later in May! We are also showing the changes on our bulletin board...be sure to check it for updates on our butterfly journey.

Here's a look at what we are looking forward to in May. A couple of surprise activities will be added, but dates have not been set...and they're a surprise for the children!

Week of May 1st

- Thursday, May 4th - May the 4th be with you!
- Also on May 4th, John Gallen photos - These are optional photos that will hopefully be taken outside on the playground.
- Friday - Cinco de Mayo party! Ole!

Week of May 8th

- Scholastic Book Fair You will be able to come into the school and shop at drop off and pick up.
- Tuesday, May 9th - Fitness challenge in Gym. Be sure to wear sneakers and comfy clothes!

- Wednesday, May 10th- Mother's Day Tea - Pray for good weather as we plan to have our Mother's Day tea in the parking lot. Since the lower lot should be blocked, please park in the upper lot, and walk down. Don't forget to bring something to sit on...a blanket or some chairs...whatever will make you comfortable. The children will go home with you when the tea is finished. We will be baking next week and want to make sure everyone can enjoy! Please don't forget to RSVP if you haven't already!
- Thursday, May 11th - Alex's Lemonade Stand. Please join us at 11:45am to visit our lemonade stand. All proceeds go to help fight childhood cancer. All are invited to participate! Children should wear yellow if possible!
- Friday, May 12th - Pick up will be in upper lot or from the playground (since other classes will have their lemonade stand in the lower lot).

Week of May 15th

- Space Week! We will learn about our solar system and make planets that represent our schools we will be attending in the Fall (Please let me know what school your child will be attending if it differs from the one at conferences). Look for a fun bulletin board to be posted that week. We will travel to outer space on Wednesday and Thursday so please bring a LARGE pillow on Wednesday, May 17th to help make our planet! We do ask that the pillow stay here thru Thursday.
- Donuts for Dad: Tuesday, May 16th Dads should bring your child to school at 9am (hopefully car line will be finished) and park. We will sit in the parking lot so please bring chairs or a blanket for you to sit on. Please let us know if you will be attending! If Dad can't attend, a special person may attend in his place. We hope to see you there!
- Wednesday, May 17th - Last Lunch Bunch of the year! I will miss all my lunch bunch regulars!
- Friday, May 19th - Preschool Prom - Flyer was sent home regarding the Prom. Be sure to get your tickets! Looks like a fun time!

Week of May 22nd

- Wednesday, May 24th - 4 year old End of year celebration. We will have a school graduation for all our Concordia 4 year old students at 11:30am in the parking lot. All are invited to attend.
- Thursday, May 26 - Last day of school
- Readiness class picnic - Graduation for our Readiness class will hopefully be at the picnic, if everyone can attend. Save the Date was posted so be sure to let us know if you'll be able to attend (so we can finalize details for graduation). The picnic will be at Sam's house beginning at 5pm. Jenn will be adding a signup genius for food for our picnic. We hope everyone can come!!

Thank you for letting us be a part of your child's time at Concordia!

Susan & Christine