



Bedford Child Development Center  
Summer 2017 Newsletter

**News from the Director:**

It is FINALLY almost summer!!!! This year we are implementing some new things for our different classrooms so please check out your child's class section!

As most of you know, we are in the process of implementing a few additions to our playground we have the water table, and the bikes but in the next couple of weeks you will also find:

- a mud kitchen
- a Lego wall
- the boat (where the kids can pretend to fish)
- a water blob
- a HUGE slip n slide
- various outdoor games & fun activities!

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) activities & bins

**\*Don't miss out on the fun we will be having at BCDC's summer camp!\***

**Dates to remember:**

- June 2<sup>nd</sup> Preschool graduation/summer gathering
- June 2<sup>nd</sup> Ms. Pauline's birthday
- June 7<sup>th</sup> Ms. Karissa's birthday
- June 12<sup>th</sup> Ms. Morgan's birthday
- June 14<sup>th</sup> flag day
- June 15<sup>th</sup> Books orders due (last order until fall)
- June 18<sup>th</sup> Father's day
- June 21<sup>st</sup> Summer begins
- July 4<sup>th</sup> Center closed
- July 5<sup>th</sup> Ms. Rachel's birthday
- July 7<sup>th</sup> Fall enrollment forms due
- July 8<sup>th</sup> Ms. Tiffani's birthday
- July 19<sup>th</sup> Ms. Brittany's birthday

- July 20<sup>th</sup> Fun Lunch
- July 25<sup>th</sup> Ms. Bell's birthday
- July 29<sup>th</sup> Ms. Natalie C.'s birthday
- August 8<sup>th</sup> Fun Lunch
- August 30<sup>th</sup> Fun Lunch
- September 4<sup>th</sup> Center closed
- September 5<sup>th</sup> Fall program begins

### **Infant Class**

Water day- Please make sure your child has a bathing suit, towel, & swim diaper at the center. We cannot always predict when we will be able to do swim day but will try to give you a heads up whenever possible. If you can at least leave a swim diaper if nothing else that would work for our water time.

For water day we will get some sensory buckets out and let the kids play in/with them sometimes outside and sometimes inside just depending on the weather.

Also we do go outside everyday so if you would like your child to have sunscreen or a sun hat please bring those items in.

### **Toddler 1 Class**

**Water day-** Tuesday & Thursday

For water day please make sure your child has a bathing suit, towel, & swim diaper at the center.

**Bike day-** Wednesday

### **Toddler 2 Class**

**Water day-** Tuesday & Thursday

For water day please make sure your child has a bathing suit, towel, & swim diaper at the center.

**Bike day-** Wednesday

### **Preschool Class**

**Water day-** Wednesday & Friday

**Bike day-** Tuesday (Your child must have a helmet)

## **School Age Camp**

We have some changes coming to our summer program this year so please make sure to read this section carefully! We would first of all like to welcome Ms. Annie as our School Age teacher! She had been working at the center during the school year in our Preschool classroom for a college class and is extremely excited to run our summer camp this year!

This year we will be taking field trips! We have 6 field trips planned as well as having several people visit the center to talk with the children.

Field trips we have planned or are in the process of planning: going to a Greenhouse, learning about beekeeping, Indian Creek Zoo, Pizza Primo (make your own pizza), Artic Café (make your own sundae), Forestview (bowling & Pizza). We have an artist coming in to paint with the children, a dance instructor to teach the children how to waltz (in preparation for our masquerade ball) and visiting local parks.

For each field trip, we will send home a permission slip. At which time you will sign and return the slip with a small fee to cover the cost. (no more than \$10)

If your child does not have their permission slip returned with the small fee the day of the field trip your child will not be able to attend the field trip and will stay at the center in the Preschool classroom.

School Agers will have water day **everyday** so please make sure your child has a swim suit and towel. Also, your child must have sunscreen & bug spray (labeled).

Also please make sure your child has a change of clothes at the center in case of accident or messiness.

**Shoes-** Your child **MUST** have tennis shoes or sandals with backs on them; flip flops are **NOT** allowed (unless used as water shoes).

**Snacks-** During the summer program we tend to notice that school agers are extra hungry, please send a few extra “snacks” (fresh fruit or vegetable) in your child’s lunch in case they are extra hungry throughout the day as normal “snacks” don’t always fill them up.

Supplies needed: Each week the children will have an opportunity to write in their personal journal (using words and/or pictures) about what they are learning about for the week.

**Themes for this upcoming summer:**

Gardening/nature

Camping

Forest animals

Insects/bugs

Zoo

Oceans/beach

Construction

Fun & fantasy (masquerade ball)

A touch of class (Art experience)

Pizza

Pets

Ice Cream

Games & Science

Our school agers are outside A LOT during the summer so please make sure your child has sunscreen, bug spray, and a large water bottle/ cup to have outside with them at all times. We will make sure the children have fresh cold water throughout the day.