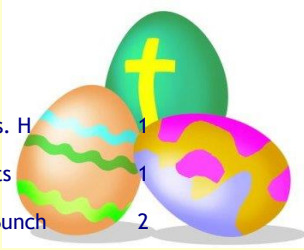


Children of Hope Child Development Center

April 2017

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Hope Happenings: Lynn Hockenberger Preschool Director News from Mrs. H's Office

An important part of our curriculum focuses on the social-emotional development of children. We help them navigate their feelings and emotions in positive ways by modeling behaviors and techniques that help them calm down, express themselves, show kindness and accomplish their goals. A recent Chapel lesson is a favorite of mine, as it tells the story of Jesus washing his disciples feet after a long day on the dusty road. We had a lot of conversations this month with the children about how to show kindness and humility as Jesus did. Our feet washing activity at Chapel was once again beautiful, as the children showed each other service and kindness. I love my job.

Upcoming Events

- ◆ EASTER EGG HUNTS
April 12 & 13 @
11:15am
- ◆ NO SCHOOL:
Good Friday April 14
- ◆ CHAPEL DAYS
April 19 & 20
- ◆ GARDEN DAYS
April 20 & 21

- ◆ CHICK FIL-A
FAMILY DAY
Wednesday, April 26
Noon - 8pm

- ◆ REGISTRATION for
2017-18 School Year
OPEN NOW!



SAY HOLA to
Spanish
LUNCH BUNCH



Join Mrs. Hammer on
Mondays in April and May
to practice/learn
conversational Spanish!

Available Daily

Pick Up at 12:30pm: \$10

Pick Up at 1:30pm: \$15

Pick Up at 2:00pm: \$20

Get your kiddo ready for
Kindergarten! Help them practice
lunch time and the longer day!

***No Lunch Bunch on Tuesday, 4/11**
for Staff Training

CHAPEL



With Pastor Steve and Ms. Kathy
Wednesday, 4/19
Thursday, 4/20

Lesson:

Taking Care of God's Creations

Song: He's Got the Whole World in
His Hands

Chapel offerings

Kyrene Family Resource Center is in need
of the following items. Participation is
optional.

- Canned fruit
- Canned vegetables
- Beans
- Rice
- Cereal
- Tuna
- Peanut Butter

IF YOU HAVE GOOD THOUGHTS
THEY WILL SHINE OUT OF
YOUR FACE LIKE
SUNBEAMS
AND YOU WILL ALWAYS
LOOK LOVELY.
-ROALD DAHL

8 Ways to Nurture a Servant's Heart in Your Kids

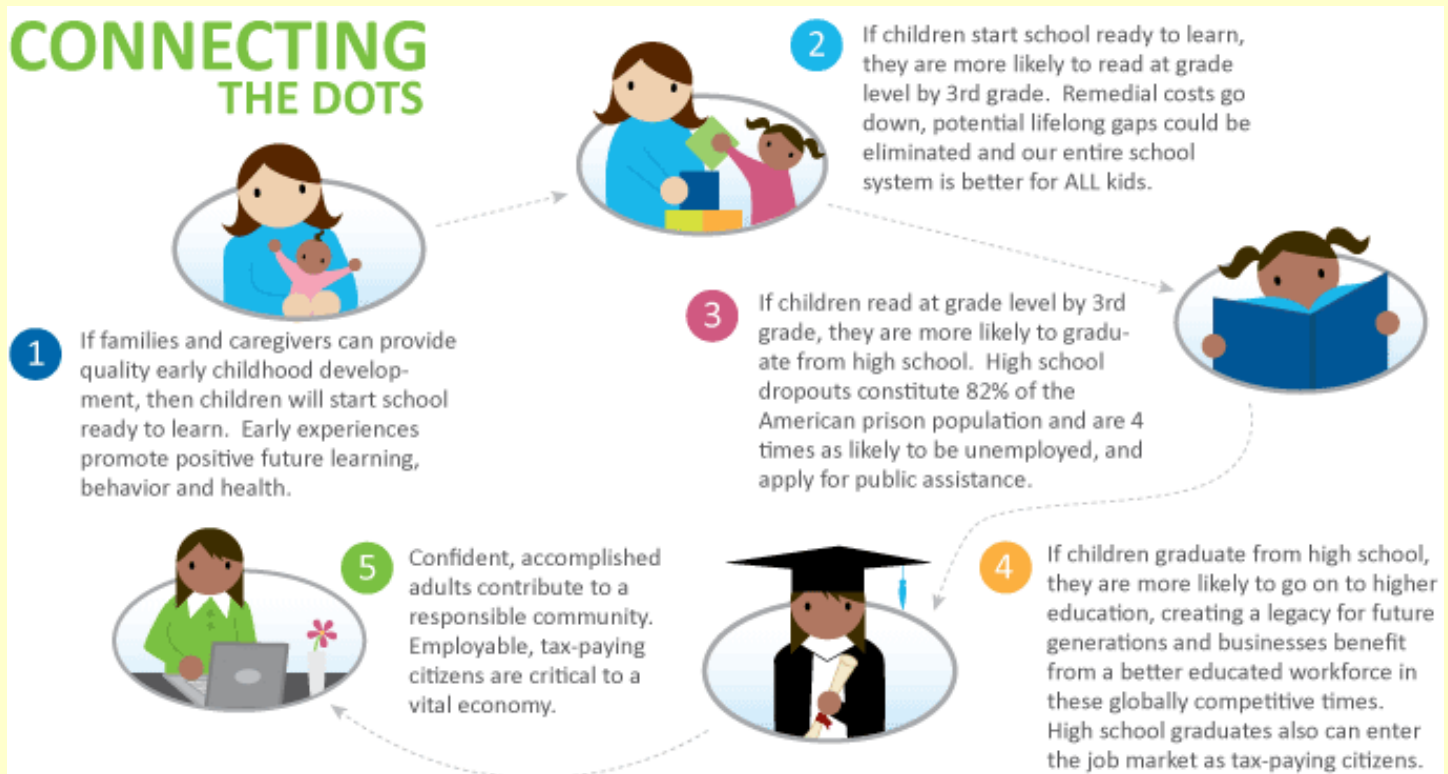


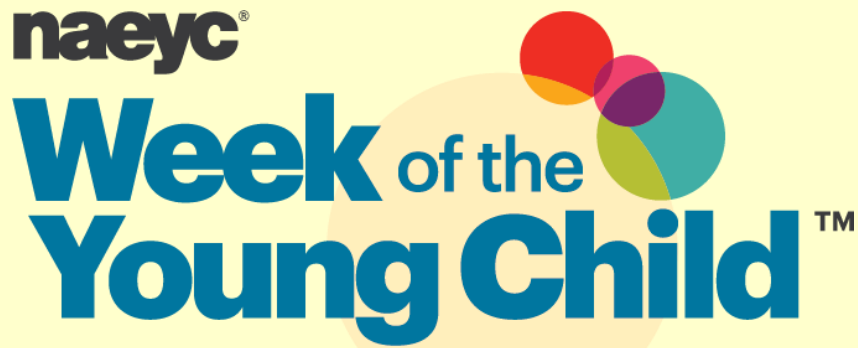
1. Read a story about people who have helped each other. (Try Mark 2:1-5.) Point out to your kids how kind and loving behavior is appreciated.
2. Make one evening a week “Share-the-Load Night.” Tackle household projects together, like washing the dishes, stacking wood or helping the children clean their rooms.
3. When you find litter in a public place, encourage your child to help you pick it up. Explain that you’re providing a clean area for others to enjoy.
4. Make helping each other fun. With younger children, take turns buttoning one another’s coats. Let older children rake the yard together and jump in the leaves all they want.
5. Have a “Big Helper” contest. Make a simple chart and keep track of family members who have helped each other. At the end of the week, reward all helpers with a family prize, such as an ice cream outing.
6. Help your child create “serving coupons” to give as gifts. A younger child could include coupons for helping mommy sweep. An older child could offer coupons good for walking the dog or reading a story to his little sister.
7. Each morning, encourage your children to think of one way they can help someone else during the day. At bedtime, talk about their acts of service and thank God for the specific ways they helped.
8. Remind your child that praying is also a form of helping. In situations when we can’t physically assist others, we can ask God to help in His own special way. Teach your child that God is the best helper of all.

Tricia Goyer has written more than 35 books, including both novels that delight and entertain readers and nonfiction titles that offer encouragement and hope. She has also published more than 500 articles in national publications such as Guideposts, Thriving Family, Proverbs 31, and HomeLife Magazine.

Ready for School, Set for Life

Numerous studies have demonstrated that children with access to quality early learning are more prepared for kindergarten. They have increased vocabulary, better language, math and social skills, more positive relationships with classmates, and they score higher on school-readiness assessments. And as they go forward in school and life, they are less likely to need special education services or be held back a grade, and are more likely to graduate and go on to college. These are better outcomes for kids that also save taxpayers money.





Dress

April 24-28, 2017

The Week of the Young Child™ is an annual celebration hosted by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) celebrating early learning, young children, their teachers and families.

(April 24) Dress Like Your Favorite Storybook Character/Musician

Music Monday: Sing, dance, celebrate, and learn! Pick a favorite song and practice clapping, drumming, or stomping to the beat while counting. By discovering and responding to the beat, your child will connect math, music, and movement.

(April 25) Crazy Hat Day

Tasty Tuesday: Promote healthy eating while cooking, eating, and having fun! Find a healthy recipe that excites your child. Together, read, measure, and mix ingredients. Your child will learn about wholesome food while developing literacy, math, and science skills.

(April 26) Dress Like Your Favorite Worker

Work Together Wednesday: Work together, build together, learn together. Collect building blocks, recycled materials (paper bags, aluminum cans), or natural materials (pinecones, twigs, and leaves) and work with your child to create something that stems from their imagination! Working together to plan and create something encourages teamwork and helps children develop social skills.

(April 27) Crazy Hair Day

Artsy Thursday: Think, problem solve, create. Bring chalk or finger paint outside and see what your child paints or draws—it could be something they see outside, like a favorite climbing tree, or something from their imaginations. Children develop creativity and fine motor skills when they do open-ended art projects that let them make choices!

Family Friday (April 28): Engage and celebrate families! Get the whole family together to read a book, eat a meal, have a game night, or try another fun activity! Families are children's first and most important teachers, so celebrate your family and the special role you play in your child's life.

SPIRIT DAY

Children of Hope Preschool

Wednesday, April 26th • Noon - 8:00 PM

Come out and support Children of Hope Preschool, who will receive 20% from all the receipts placed in the box. Kids receive FREE Icedream during the fundraiser.



Chick-fil-A

Chick-fil-A Ahwatukee Foothills Town Center
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HAVE LUNCH OR DINNER WITH YOUR FRIENDS!



Garden Days:

April 20 & 21

Many thanks to Dale Howell and the Garden of Eatin' volunteers for helping us with our garden!

**Want to help?
Join us this month!**



Mission in North Africa

Esperanza is partnering with Mountain View Lutheran Church in support of Mission Africa, which is directed by Mountain View member Victor Jakpor, a native of Nigeria.

The focus of Mission Africa is to provide text books, toilets and clean drinking water to schools. An easy way to help is to **donate your old shoes, regardless of condition**. Shoes that are no longer usable are taken apart so their raw materials can be re-purposed, and the sale of those materials supports Mission Africa.

For more information, go to missionafrica.org. The donation boxes are in the narthex and fellowship hall.

Holy Week at Esperanza



Maundy Thursday, April 13

Holy Communion 7 p.m.

Good Friday, April 14

“By His Stripes We Are Healed”

Cantata 7 p.m.

The Great Vigil of Easter, April 15

Worship at 7 p.m.

Easter, the Resurrection of Our Lord

April 16

Worship at 6:30, 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

Breakfast served after the 6:30 and 8:30 services

Easter Egg Hunt at 9:30 a.m.



Please make drop off and pick up times with your child

Cell Phone Free Zones 😊 THANKS!



find us on

Join our Facebook group!

Like our Page to stay informed!

Help us get 100 Likes!

Also, join our Private Group

Children of Hope Preschool/
Child Development Center of Ahwatukee

Labels for Education

Clip and send these labels:



Found on any of these products:



We have used funds from this program to purchase playground equipment and a die cut machine! **Keep those labels coming!**

This program is ending but labels marked “Labels for Education” will continue to be accepted until they are gone. Check your products! Drop box in Mrs. H’s office. Thank you!