



NEWSLETTER

Let Me Shine Christian Playschool & Preschool
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Dear Parents,

It's hard to believe our school year is coming to an end and summer break is almost here. Even though we got off to a slow start, it's been an amazing year with 53 wonderful children and school families. ☺ You have all brought so much joy over this last year with all the changes we've experienced. You are a bright spot each and every day and I continue to be so thankful for you entrusting your children into our care. I love spending time with all the children and watching them grow. I smile as I hear the stories they share and it's so fun to see how much they've changed over the school year. I'm proud of all the pre-k graduates and know they will be amazing little kindergartners!

As always, my door is open. I invite you all to share your thoughts, concerns and affirmations with me. Thank you for an incredible year full of silver linings and for being part of the Let Me Shine family. Have a safe and enjoyable summer.

God's Peace,

Barb

Barb Ballif
Director

HIGHLIGHTS:

Please note the **appeal letter** at the end of this newsletter. Thank you to all who have donated! If you still want to contribute, it's not too late!



May 26 - Join us for our pre-kindergarten graduation celebration! May 26 @ 11:30am
It will be held outside on the playground.
Parents only!

May 28 - Last day of preschool

Director: Barb Ballif Asst. Director: Holly Graham Pre-K Teachers: Sabrina Bell, Christina Farden, Lezlie Hargrave
3 Year Old Teacher: Angelina Pace Aide: Gabrielle Khokhar Media: Tracy Hackworth Resident Managers: Kaci Evans & Kelly Mitchell

Board of Trustees: Andrew Benseler, JulieAnna Facelli, Leska Haskell, Christian Mogren, Paul Mogren, Becky Rosenthal, Pastor Chris Berry

Miss Sabrina's Sweeties



Hello Parents,
I am in tears...We are nearing the end of this school year and I want to express my gratitude to each and every one of you for sharing your children with me. Each one so precious and unique in their own way. I loved watching them grow; physically, emotionally, mentally and spiritually.

This last month we worked on the letter U for underwing moth and letting our light shine. The letter V for vole and how we don't always see the vole but we know it's real. Just like God, we don't see Him, but know that he is real. God knows us inside and out like the X-ray fish. We will finish the month of May with the letters Q and Z.

Blessings to you and yours.
Miss Sabrina

Miss Chris's Campers



Hi Parents,
Can you believe it's May already? Time truly flies when you're having fun! As the end of this school year quickly approaches, I am able to reflect on all the memories and time I've had the privilege of sharing with my class. In one respect, knowing this is our last month together is certainly bittersweet, but I am certain I could not have asked for a more well rounded group of children to share these experiences with. Seeing them blossom and develop over the past several months has been such a rewarding experience. I am confident in the abilities of each and every one of my students and wholeheartedly believe their futures are as bright as their smiles. I would like to thank you for being a huge part in making it such a successful year! I wish you all a wonderful, safe and joyous summer! Continued Blessings,
Miss Chris

Miss Lezlie's Sunshines



Dear Parents,
I want to thank you with all of my heart for a wonderful (and uncertain) school year. With all of your love and support we have been able to make it wonderful!!! Your children have grown so much in Christ and are an example to everyone they come in contact with!!

This last month will be full of celebrations, love and learning! Appropriately, we have our caterpillars here at school. The children have watched them grow and we will release them as butterflies before we know it. What a beautiful representation of new life and growth they are!

It has been my honor and blessing to be your child's teacher this year.
Sincerely In God's Work,
Miss Lezlie

Mrs. Angelina's 3 Year Old Class



Hello Families,
Wow our last newsletter of the school year! I can't believe it! I loved watching your kids grow in just a short amount of time. We will be wrapping up our school year with more letter and number recognition, as well as nursery rhymes and fine/gross motor skills. I will be contacting you all for more volunteers for walks as well as our end of the year party week! April was so fun, finding signs of spring, talking about Jesus and his resurrection, continuing to learn letters and numbers. Your kiddos have loved our music time and playing the different instruments. They also love doing the different activities in the sensory bin. I'm so sad I only get your kids for one more month; they have made my first year of teaching so enjoyable! Thank you for sharing them with me.
Lots of Love, Angelina



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April 8, 2021

Dear Let Me Shine families, friends, and supporters:

This has been a year of unprecedented proportion. The pandemic has changed almost everything. Our Let Me Shine school closed for live instruction last spring and opened again on a limited basis with major operational changes in the fall.

But what has not changed is the Let Me Shine sense of community, where families, friends, teachers, staff, and board all worked together committed to educating our children in God's love. Working together, the Let Me Shine light shines brightly. We thoroughly expect to be open fully for all classes and activities in the fall. Special thanks are due to our teachers and staff for yeoman service in these days. Thanks also to families who continue to believe in LMS as evidenced by our strong enrollment for fall 2021.

That said, the reduced program this past year has not been without its financial consequences. Our income stream was vastly reduced, yet our fixed and staff expenses remained. LMS did receive a loan from the federal government in the SBA Payroll Protection Program, which helped out last spring and summer. The loan amount was forgiven. Even so, we were required to spend down our savings to make ends meet.

As a result, this year's annual fundraising appeal has a unique focus. We are asking you to prayerfully consider making a financial contribution of any amount to our school. This will help us continue to pursue the next level of excellence for our school, as well as to help us meet financial needs through the remainder of 2021.

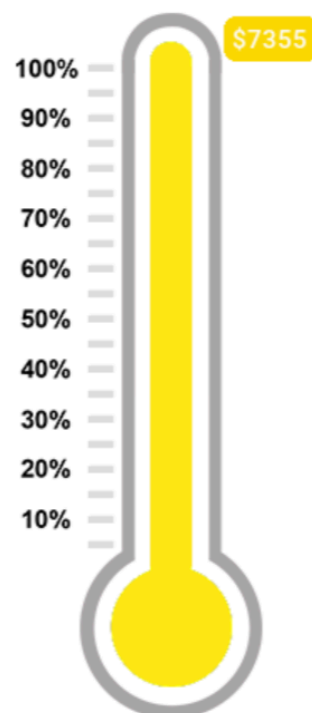
Our goal is \$5,000. Thanks in advance for your generosity.

Our campaign continues through the end of May, 2021. Your contribution may be made via checks or Venmo. Please contact the LMS Office with any questions.

Warmest Regards,

Let Me Shine Board of Trustees
Paul Mogren, President

Goal: \$5000



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† *Let Me Shine shares God's love with His children and provides a welcoming Christian environment where a child can grow spiritually, socially and intellectually.*