Arroyo Grande United Methodist Children's Center

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## Message from Ms. Maddy

We are looking forward to a great new school year. This fall season we have 40 children enrolled. We still have openings in the toddler, preschool, and pre K classes. If you know of someone in need of quality childcare and low child to teacher ratios, please let them know about our wonderful program. Word of mouth from a satisfied family is the best advertisement.



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"Family Fun Day" will be on Saturday, October 20 from 11:00—1:30. You and your family will not want to miss this fun filled event. There will be a Trike-A-Thon, BBQ lunch, carnival games, face painting, bounce houses, and a pumpkin patch. Please come to the planning meeting on Thursday, Sept. 20, at 7:00 PM. Also, talk with your child's teacher about the booth your child's class has planned for the carnival and see how you can help. There are many ways you and your child can take part in this BIG EVENT: sell BBQ tickets, buy tickets to play games at the carnival and/or get pledges

and participate in the Trike-A-Thon. If you collect \$25 in pledges, you receive 10 free carnival game tickets and if you collect \$100 in pledges, your child will receive a CARNIVAL WRISTBAND. The money raised from this event will help us needed supplies and materials for the classrooms. Parent participation is the key to our school's success!!

2 ways to help AGUMCC earn FREE CASH: Please bring your empty ink cartridges for the staff to recycle for cash at Office Max and Staples. The container for the ink cartridges is located next to the Sign In and Out table. Sign up for E-scrip and every time you shop at Vons, Macy, and other participating merchants our school earns cash directly through the **E-Scrip** program. See the attached application to join.

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# Theme for The Month "I Am Special"

AHelp us to get to know your family better by completing your child's family collage. This is a wonderful activity that bridges the relationship between school ☆and home. Please let your teacher know if you have not☆ received your collage poster board.

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# Fruit of The Spirit \* Kindness \*

The LORD is righteous in everything He does; He is filled with kindness". Psalm 145:17

Monday, Sept. 3 School is Closed for LABOR DAY



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Friday, Sept. 7 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY AND SCHOOL  $\stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow}$ SPIRIT DAY. Wear your school T-shirt to show  $\stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow}$ your school spirit. School will close at 3:30.

Wed. Sept. 12 & Thurs. Sept. 13 PONY PICTURES @ 9:00-10:00

Thursday Sept. 20 FAMILY FUN DAY PLANNING MEETING @ ☆ 6:30PM

🖈 Thursday, Sept. 30 \* SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS DUE!

★ Saturday, Oct. 20 \* FAMILY FUN DAY-Trike-A-Thon, BBQ and ☆ Carnival from 11:00 AM to 1:30PM

### TIME WITH PASTOR DAVID

Our "Time With Pastor David" and Goodie Bear (with Ms. Shirley) is back! They will share about this month's Fruit of the Spirit "Kindness." This special time will be on Wednesday, September 26 and Thursday, September 27, in the church narthex, at 9:30AM

### Ms. Kristel and Ms. Rebecca's Pre-K Class



Our school year is off to a great start!!, During the month of August, we had a great time getting to know about each other, learning about our families and how we are

the same and different. Thank you to Natalia and Nathan Ng for sharing their Russian culture through books and songs with the class. For the month of September. we will start meeting our "Zoo-Phonics" friends with letters 'A' 'B' and 'C'. We will also focus on the numbers '1' '2' and '3'. The theme that we will be working with, will be "My Senses", "My Neighborhood" and the "Fall Season". We will be discussing the changes that occur in the environment during the Fall season. We will also be learning about harvesting apples and other benefits of the season. Be on the look out for the guessing can! We will start sending it home once a week, along with the guidelines on how to participate in this activity. We are looking forward to a great year. Thanks! -Ms. Rebecca

### Ms. Shirley's Preschool Class

August has been fun as we explored the zoo. We talked about different zoo animals, what they eat, and how they are cared for. From zoo keepers, to cage cleaners, they learned how important every job is at the zoo. Just as important is our daily jobs in the classroom. This is another way for the children to feel appreciated. Each day, during our first circle time, the children get to choose which job they want for that day. For example; "Timer Helper", "Art Helper", and last but not least, "Line Leader". For the month of September, the theme will be "I am special". I will focus on getting to know each child and the uniqueness they bring to our school. I would like my families to write down some family traditions you may have, that may be different from other families. I would like to expose the children to different cultures and traditions. In the month of September, we will also be exploring apples. Measuring, sorting and counting are a few ways we will use them. I will be sending home a little apple bag for your child

to bring in an apple to share. The letters 'A','B' and 'C' will

be introduced to the children, as well as primary and secondary colors and shapes. Story time with Pastor David and Goodie Bear will also get started this month. They will be talking about kindness. We are looking forward to a great month. Thanks,

-Ms. Shirley

### Ms. April and Ms. Wasinii's Toddlers

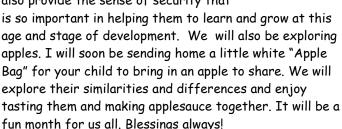
This is going to be a great year! In September, our theme will be "I am Special". We will get to know each other better and help the children learn that each one of them is special. In addition to learning each of them is special, we will help the children develop a sense of belonging and significance as part of the group. We wish to welcome Oliver Richards and Patrick Bown to our class. Also, Moxie Balzer, from Toddler Room 1, will be joining us in the classroom on Fridays. With the addition of the new children to the class, we will work on building a strong primary care relationship with each child to provide the sense of security they will need during this time of adjustment. We look forward to getting to know each of our toddler families better. Cheers!

-Miss Wasinii

#### Cindy Bo's Young Toddlers

I'm excited about welcoming Lucas Holt and his family to our young toddler classroom this month. Welcome! September will be a time for getting to know each other better, helping the children learn that each one of them is special and helping to develop their sense of belonging and significance as part of the group. For my group of young toddlers. I will continue to focus

young toddlers, I will continue to focus on providing predictability in their day and helping them to develop a sense of security, by establishing consistent and familiar routines. Building a strong primary care relationship with them will also provide the sense of security that



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The speed limit for everyone's safety is ...... 5 mph.

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