



# JULY 2022

## The Little Mud Puddle’s Learning Center Newsletter

### IMPORTANT NEWS TO SHARE WITH YOU:

Recently the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) expanded the authorization of the Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna COVID-19 vaccines for all Americans over the age of 6 months. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends that all individuals aged 6 months to 4 years old get the COVID-19 vaccine, and those aged 5 and older receive the COVID-19 vaccine primary series and booster dose.

COVID-19 vaccines are critical in preventing the spread of COVID-19 for both adults and children. Community care Licensing encourages you to help spread the word on the importance of vaccination to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

In California, the Department of Public Health (CDPH) recommends that everyone aged 6 months and older get a COVID-19 vaccine, and everyone aged 5 and older get a booster dose when eligible, to help protect against severe outcomes of COVID-19.

Here is some valuable information to share with your parents.

What we know:

- The COVID-19 vaccination can help protect children from getting COVID-19.
- Although fewer children have been sick with COVID-19 compared to adults, children can be infected with the virus that causes COVID-19 and can get sick and/or can spread the virus that causes COVID-19 to others.

#### [3 in 4 children have been infected with COVID-19 in the US](#)

COVID-19 hospitalizations for Children [ages 4 and under were five times as high](#) during the Omicron surge than during Delta. Once children were hospitalized with COVID-19, 1 in 5 were also admitted to the ICU.

- Parents now have a choice to vaccinate their children as young as 6 months to 17 years with either the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine.
- We want to ensure that parents have access to reliable and accurate information when they are deciding whether to vaccinate their children.

The vaccine is safe and effective for children older than 5, [over ten million children 5-11 years and over seventeen million children 12-17](#) have safely received the vaccine.

Get the Facts on COVID-19 Vaccines, Boosters, and Additional Doses. The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) has information on their website about [COVID-19 vaccinations](#). **SEE PAGE 2 FOR VACCINATION SITE IN FREMONT.**

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7:00 a.m.—5:30 p.m.**

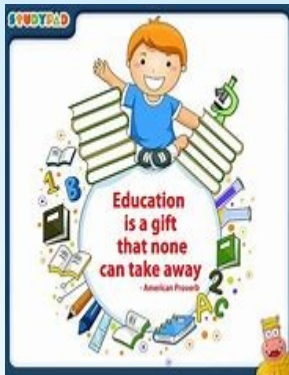


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## **SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR 2022**

January 1—Closed for New Year's Day

January 17—Closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day

February 21—Closed in Observance of President's Day

April 15—Closed for Good Friday

**May 27—Closed for the DRDP Parent/Teacher Conference**

**May 30—Closed in Observance of Memorial Day**

**June 17—Closed for Juneteenth Day**

**July 4 & July 5—Closed in Observance of Independence Day**

August 12—Closed for Teacher In-Service Day

September 5—Closed in Observance of Labor Day

September 23—Closed for the Ages/Stages Parent/Teacher Conference

October 10—Closed for Indigenous People's Day

November 11—Closed in Observance of Veteran's Day

November 18—Closed for the DRDP Parent/Teacher Conference

November 23, 24, 25—Closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday

December 22—January 6— Closed for the Holiday Season

**\*This list is subject to change.**

## **VACCINATIONS SITE:**

KinderCare Vaccination Site (Fremont) - Kindercare is offering free vaccine clinics. There is no appointment needed and Moderna is available for ages 6 months to 5 years of age and Pfizer is available for 5 years and older. Available on Saturday, July 23rd and Saturday August 20th from 9AM—1PM at Kindercare 38700 Paseo Padre Pkwy., Fremont, CA



## SUMMERTIME:

We have noticed parents barely making it to school by 9:15. Children must be in by 9:00—it is best for both the children and the teachers. Being late affects children's naps, they tend to be unusually sensitive, refuse to listen to teachers, and have a harder time separating from their parents. Even though other sib-lings may be out of school, we do require children to continue coming in on time. See last page for late charges.

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## FUN FRIDAYS AT LMP:

We like to make it fun in the summertime for the kids, but Fridays are especially fun. These Fridays are planned with the following activities **BEGINNING IN JULY:**

### JULY

**July 1st** - Wear something red, white or blue. Celebrate 4th of July!

**July 8th** - Hat Day - wear your funny, crazy hat.

**July 15th** - Swimsuit Day - wear your swimsuit under your clothes. Proper shoes with backs—must be worn. NO thongs or slides for safety issues.

**July 22nd** - Sports Day - wear your favorite sports jersey or t-shirt or hat. Show us which team is your favorite!

**July 29th** - Bring your favorite ride—bike, trike, razor, big wheels. But **everyone** needs a helmet. Park your ride in the backyard. Find your teacher's name on the fence and park there. All rides and helmets must have names on them.

### AUGUST

**August 5th** - Costume Day - wear your favorite costume. **NO guns or swords or other weapons please.**

**August 12th** - School closed for Teacher In-Service Day

**August 19th** - Pajama Day - wear your favorite pajamas. Proper shoes must

## IF YOUR CHILD IS LEAVING LMP....

It is *necessary* for you to give us a three week notice **before** leaving LMP. We have to give the next child's family 3 weeks notice for their school before moving on to LMP. It is preferred that your child end their final day on a Friday. New children begin on a Monday.

If you do not give us a 3 week notice before leaving LMP, you will have to pay tuition for the weeks you didn't give sufficient notice.

**Please remember to turn in all key fobs on your child's last day of school.**

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**be worn. No slippers please, safety is important.**

**August 26th - Yummy popsicle day!**

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## Vacation Policy:

Should your family travel by plane anywhere, we will require a home Antigen COVID-19 test 72 hours *after* you land. Or have your child quarantine for 10 days. ALWAYS let the school know of the test results (negative or positive). **You must send a snapshot of the test to LMP or your child cannot return.** If you are travelling by car no COVID-19 test is necessary unless symptomatic. Do sign our vacation log located at the front office. Also, please plan your vacation accordingly to include the 72 hours afterwards for testing.

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## TUITION:

Our tuition fees for 2022 is as follows:

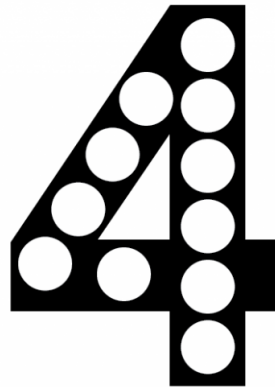
**Jr. Preschool** is \$1550 per month. Weekly is \$375.

**Preschool & Pre-Kindergarten** is \$1475. Weekly is \$350.

Our yearly Material Fee is \$150 and is due every January 1st. Our Material Fee helps pay for the materials/toys we purchase during the year for the children. Our Tax ID # is 94-3254109



## COLOR THE DOTS ON NUMBER 4– HAPPY 4TH OF JULY!



is for  
4th of July



**LMP HAS 5 CLASSES WITH 12 CHILDREN IN EACH CLASS. WE ARE WORKING VERY HARD TO MAINTAIN SAFE DISTANCING, EXTRA CLEANING THROUGHOUT THE DAY, WASHING HANDS OFTEN, TEMPERATURES TAKEN AND MASK REQUIREMENTS FOR BOTH CHILDREN AND ADULTS. WE ARE SO PLEASED YOU HAVE CHOSEN OUR SCHOOL TO CARE FOR YOUR CHILDREN. WE ARE TRULY HONORED.**

### REMINDERS:

- Tuition is due as usual during all holidays and vacations and sick days.
- All children must wear masks. Parents or whoever picks up or drops off your child must also wear a mask. Make sure your child has a minimum of 3 masks every day. Cloth masks are fine—just make sure they are washed for the next day and that you also have 3 masks in case children take them off and accidentally throw them away. We prefer paper masks but understand not all children can wear paper masks.
- Out of respect for the teachers we ask that you are on time. **EVERYONE must be in school by 9:00 a.m.**
- Please make sure you are taking your and your child's temperature, sanitizing your hands, taking your child to the sink in the Learning Center or bathroom to wash hands before taking them to their teachers. Also please do the health screening **before** bringing your child to school.
- Please jot down any vacations you plan on taking on our clip board which is located at the front office reception area.

### MORNING HEALTH SCREENING FOR CHILDREN

**Every morning please fill out the Health Screening on HiMama before bringing your child to school.** We are having some parents forget and we have to contact them. Miss Darlene will contact those families who fail to do their screening.

It is now possible to complete your child's health screening in your HiMama application on your mobile phone. It is a very easy and simple process, I would like to give you some quick instructions on how to complete the health screen with HiMama

1. Log into your HiMama application
2. At the top of the page you will see "Health Screening" Click on that.
3. Read the message pertaining to symptoms your child may have.
4. Click yes or no at the bottom of the screen.
5. Submit your screening.

**If your response failed to meet the screening criteria, keep your child home and try again in a few days. We will not take any chances and get others ill. You will be called if your child comes to school ill.**





## BE ON TIME:

Children must be in school by 9:00 a.m. There will be a grace period of 15 minutes.

It is necessary to go back to our pre-pandemic original time as more and more parents are late.

Being late is not only disrespectful for the teachers but it also disturbs the routine of the classrooms which is so important to maintain a balance throughout the day.

If your child is having a difficult time in the morning or is new to the school, please come earlier than 9:00 a.m. so that his/her teacher can have more time with your child on an individual basis.

If you are late, expect to pay a \$20 late fee per each 15 minutes you are late. If you live a distance away from the school please leave earlier. Traffic can be unexpected. If your child needs to go to the bathroom and sit on the toilet a little longer in the morning, please wake them up earlier. If your child has a hard time sleeping the night before, keep them home for rest. If not they will come to school already rested and will not take a nap and disturb other children around them. It can be sometimes difficult to put other children to sleep. If you have to take a conference call bring your child to school earlier—we are open as early as 7:00 a.m. or have the other parent take them to school. Should your child have to go to the doctor or dentist please be prepared to bring a doctor's note to the school. Make sure to have your child in school by 12 noon after doctor/dentist appointments. *Children are not accepted after 12:00 noon.*

Excuses will not be taken lightly as before. We also have to be consistent for the sake of the teachers, children, and school policy.

Children are so much fresher and happier in the morning when their routines are consistent. Routines are so important for parents and children to follow. Running around in the morning makes everyone unhappy and makes the morning so much harder than it has to be. We see children who are rushed in without teeth or hair brushed, clothes disheveled, shoes that are too small for them and sometimes with no shoes, and sometimes diapers or pull-ups soiled. A good routine helps set the day for all.

We know that parents are busy and we truly feel for you. Once you get your child to school, your day can begin whether you work from home or go into an office outside the home. Your child's day will also become less hectic and they can have more fun at school.

Keep in mind that the parking lot will be busy, and it cannot be used as an excuse why parents are late due to the fact that parents can come earlier if they choose.

*Bring a sweater for your child due to weather changes.*



**HAPPY BIRTH-DAY!**

**JULY**

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