

WEE KNOW SCHOOL CAMP-LOTTA-FUN TURTLE NEWS

June 2011

Calling all Turtles! Welcome to Wee Know's Camp Lotta Fun! Our school-age teachers are looking forward to meeting with all the Turtles. We hope you are ready for a summer of fun!

Meet the teachers...

Kirstin Noll is returning to the Turtle room for her sixth summer at "Wee Know". She worked as an Oriole teacher this past fall, which is one of our 4K classrooms and absolutely loved it! She is really excited to have a fun summer with your children. She has a Bachelors Degree in Elementary Education with a minor in Early Childhood from Carroll University.

Mackenzie Hundley is a senior at Minnesota State University majoring in Elementary Education with a minor in dance. Mackenzie loves dancing, singing, drawing and painting. She has worked with children in summer theatre productions, camps and workshops. Mackenzie looks forward to her second summer at "Wee Know".

****Important Items to Bring****(Please LABEL everything!)

- Swimsuit and beach towel - PLEASE take home Fridays for laundering
- Water shoes or sandals that can get wet - Water shoes are needed for playing in the sprinkler. PLEASE NO CROCS or flip-flops!!!
- One complete change of clothes - including shirt, shorts, socks, and underwear.
- Hat and sunglasses
- Light coat or sweatshirt
- Tennis shoes for safety reasons

PARENT BOARD

Be sure to stop by our parent board to check out the monthly newsletter, snack calendar, field trip calendar, teacher pictures and biographies.

SIGNING IN AND OUT

Upon your child's arrival and departure from school, please be sure to sign IN and OUT on the appropriate clipboard. The clipboard is located outside the Turtle classroom. This procedure helps us keep your child safe and accounted for. Please be sure to make contact with one of your child's teachers at the beginning and end of each day, and call our office if your child will be late/ absent.

SNACKS

Every day the Turtles enjoy a healthy snack brought in by one of our classmates. Please check the calendar at the end of this newsletter to determine the date your child is assigned to bring snack. On your day, please supply enough snacks for 24 children.

LUNCH

Lunches should be brought in a disposable bag. Please do not send any food that requires heating because we will be outside or on field trips most days. Send a drink with lunch on field trip days. "Wee Know" supplies milk for lunches eaten at school. Please remember to label your child's lunch with first and last name and place in the basket outside our classroom.

MORNING AGENDA

Every morning at 9:15 AM, all classes will meet in our gym for our camp song, pledge to the flag, birthday recognition, announcements and morning exercises/movement. Then the children will resume their regular classroom schedule.

SUMMER SPECIALS

Each day one of our Wee Know teachers will offer a special "outdoor" activity following outdoor time for each class for approximately 30 minutes. Our special time is from 10:15 -10:45 a.m.

OUR DAILY SPECIALS WILL BE:

Mondays - Stories

Thursdays - Water

Tuesdays - Music

Fridays - Games

Wednesdays - Nature

JUNE THEMES

June 13-17

Welcome to Camp

We will explore and learn about all kinds of turtles and other animals that live in or around ponds.

June 20-24

Once Upon A Time

Let's explore all kinds of books. Please bring in any favorite to share with our class and the others!

June 27-July 1

Spirit Week

We will celebrate the 4th of July camp style!

Monday - crazy hat day

Tuesday - field trip (wear camp shirt)

Wednesday - wear your clothes inside out and/or backwards

Thursday - crazy hair day

Friday - wear red, white & blue

FIELD TRIPS

On field trip days we usually depart about 9:30 AM and arrive back around 3:00 PM. Depending on the trip, the times are subject to change. Please check the Parent Board for exact times. On these days, it is especially important for your child to wear her/his Camp Lotta Fun T-shirt and tennis shoes for safety reasons. Most field trips will include a park where we will eat lunch and play games.

JUNE/EARLY JULY FIELD TRIPS

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| ❖ Thursday, June 23 | 9:30am- 3:00pm | Discovery World |
| ❖ Tuesday, June 28 | 10:30am- 2:00pm | Flabbergast |
| ❖ Tuesday, July 5 | 10:30am- 2:30pm | Watertown |
| ❖ Tuesday, July 12 | 9:00am- 3:00pm | Shalom |

PLEASE NOTE: Field trip fees are assessed to all children enrolled on day of trip **regardless of attendance** due to our budget estimate.

FROGGIE FUN NIGHT

David Stokes, a local naturalist, educator and humorist will bring his special take on frogs and Wisconsin wildlife on Tuesday, June 21 from 6:00-7:30 pm. You should have received a flyer with registration in your summer enrollment packet. Please return the completed form with \$5.00 to the Wee Know office.

DONUTS WITH DAD

Please enjoy a donut hole when dropping off your child on Thursday or Friday, June 16th and 17th. Happy Father's Day to all our Turtle dads!

PICTURES

Mark your calendars! Mortensen Photography will be here on Wednesday, June 22 to take class and individual pictures. Information on prices and packages will be distributed this week.

BOOK ORDERS

Scholastic Book Orders offer good books printed in paperback edition at inexpensive prices. Every time our school places an order, "bonus points" are earned which can be used for free books and classroom equipment. Ordering is completely optional. This summer, we will only place an order in June. If you choose to order, please put your money and order form in an envelope marked with your child's name and class name, and place it in the "Book Order" can in the office. If you pay by check, please make it for your entire order payable to "Wee Know" as we send in one check for the total order from our school. The attached book orders are due by Wednesday, June 22. Books usually arrive within two weeks.

HOT DOG LUNCH

Wee Know will celebrate the holiday with a hot dog (and all the fixings) lunch on Thursday, June 30. Please have your child wear red, white and blue and do not send a lunch on this day.

INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE

We will have an all school parade on Friday, July 1 beginning at 10:00 am in our gym. We will march with all Wee Know children through our school and onto the playground wearing our patriotic hats, waving flags, and playing our musical instruments. We will end our parade with a group picture. Please have your child wear red, white, and blue on this day!

SUNSCREEN AND INSECT REPELLENT

Please apply sunscreen and insect repellent on your child **before** bringing him/her to school. Wee Know staff will re-apply at noon, provided you have returned the yellow "medication form" granting permission to use these products.

NOTE ABOUT FOOT APPAREL

Please send your child to school in sturdy tennis shoes or sandals with a strap around the ankle and covered toes. Please do not send your child in Crocs or flip-flops. They are slippery when wet and do not support the child's foot when running. For your child's safety, we do not allow the children to play on the climber unless they are wearing appropriate shoes.

We are looking forward to meeting all the new Turtles and welcoming back returning friends. If you have any questions please feel free to talk to either of us!

Miss Noll and Miss Mackenzie