

July 2019

# The Davis Harbor News

Davis Child Care Center



Save the date for our  
End of Summer Open House  
Thursday, August 29th

## Message from the Center Director

Dear Davis Families -

It looks as though the summer weather has finally arrived – just in time for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday. Davis has been a busy place so far this summer! The days have been filled with lots of outside time, fun fieldtrips and special visitors in our building. July will find us enjoying the Zoozort Lady, a Davis lunch cook-out and picnic, sprinkler time for our little friends and for the older children a couple fun fieldtrips.

I wish you a very safe and fun July 4<sup>th</sup>. I hope you find time to relax and spend the holiday doing what makes you happiest!

Enjoy!

Angie Soda

Center Director

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## Announcements

### Field Trips and Events

Please see the July calendar on the last page to see all that is happening this month. If your child is attending any of the events, please make sure that they arrive at Davis no later than 15-minutes prior to departure/event. The bus leaves promptly at the designated time. We will have posted the cost for any of the field trips in the front lobby. The costs will be billed to your account each week and processed with your weekly tuition.

## Notes & Reminders

**7/4- Closed for July 4th**

*With the holiday on a Thursday we will survey care needs*

**8/30- Closed for Center In-Service Day**

**9/2- Closed for Labor Day**





**THE ROCKIN' ROLLERS** Happy Fourth of July!! We will be  
**Ms. Deb & Ms. Kimberly** painting some fireworks for the 4<sup>th</sup>.  
Sand play as well as water play is on the agenda for the  
month. When EAA rolls around we will be listening for  
planes and watching toy gliders glide. Zoo animals will make an ap-  
pearance. We hope you all have a safe and exciting 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

Deb, Kimberly and Sharlae

**THE CREEPERS**  
**Ms. Rachel & Ms. Ivy**

Dear Creeper Families,

Hooray! It is finally starting to look like summer! With the  
weather warming up we will be spending a lot more time outside so please dress the children ap-  
propriately. Warm weather also means mosquitoes. If you have not yet brought in bug spray,  
please do so.

Monday mornings we will be spending sometime in the outdoor classroom! We read books, play  
with cars, make music and even play with chalk! During the summer we will have water play out-  
side on the playground with the Scooters. Please bring in a swimsuit and any type of shoes that  
are ok to get wet.

For the month of July we will be learning about all about farms. We will also look into different  
kinds of sports. In the beginning of the month we will, of course, be celebrating the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

We are looking forward to a fun and long summer!

Ms. Rachel & Ms. Ivy

**THE SCOOTERS**  
**Ms. Emily & Ms. Christine**

Happy July Everyone! We can't believe we are already getting  
to the half way point of our summer! The kids, Ms. Christine,  
and I are having a blast this summer getting to be outside and  
enjoying the weather. Please continue on bringing weather appropriate clothes for your child.  
Please remember we will be closed on July 4<sup>th</sup>. Enjoy the time with your friends and families.  
This month we will be talking about the themes: the 4<sup>th</sup> of July/America, in which we will be  
focusing on the certain colors-red, white, and blue; Life on the Farm, in which we will be  
learning about the animals on the farm; and Ocean, in which we will learn about the different  
animals of the sea. The lesson plans are always posted on the parent board if you are curious to  
see what your child will be doing during each week.

The Scooters have started visiting the Outdoor Classroom/Garden, and are loving it! They  
can't wait to go each week and explore what is there to offer. They really enjoy when they get  
to help water the garden as well. If you are curious about what the Outdoor Classroom is,  
please ask...we are happy to answer your questions. J You can even start a garden of your own  
and have your kiddo(s) help out.

Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July!  
Ms. Emily and Ms. Christine

## THE WIGGLERS

Happy Summer!

**Ms. Kelly & Ms. Debby**

July will bring with it warm and sunny days perfect for water play – thank you for bringing in swimsuits and water shoes so that we are ready to splash! We will also celebrate the fourth of July with plenty of red, white, and blue projects. We'll continue to build the rest of the Wiggler Room curriculum around all the wonderful summer sights and happenings. With summer in full bloom we remind you to update us on your attendance, if you have a vacation planned or just a day away from Davis Child Care please notify us so we don't accidentally call you on a planned vacation day. Communication activity: What's that sound? Turn off the television and other electronics and listen with your child to sounds around your home. Listen to the refrigerator motor, wind chimes, a clock ticking, or people talking. Ask your child to tell you what she hears. Try this at night. Listen for the night sounds of crickets, frogs, or cars beeping. Whisper to each other about what you hear.



Enjoy these wonderful days – they go by so quickly!

## THE TROOPERS

Happy July, Trooper Family!

**Ms. Aly, Ms. Melissa & Ms. Lise**

We finally got to warmer weather! The warmer weather has brought us sunscreen, water sprinklers, and lots of time outside. It's hard to be in a bad mood when the sun is shining, and the air is warm! We

learned about where we can find animals. Animals on the farm, in the zoo, and under the sea. There is a display in the classroom of our "Under the Sea" art; come check it out! ☺

As we move into July, we are shifting the focus from animals to summer fun activities. We will be exploring red, white, and blue items and activities for the week of Fourth of July. Remember that the center will be closed on Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup>. After the short week, we will use the next two weeks to learn about the beach and circus. Then, the last week of July will be all about things we find in the sky to celebrate EAA Airventure. We are in a great spot to see the airplanes that fly over and take part in EAA, so your child will see many planes while on the playground. It's always such a fun week! I look forward to teaching your children about all these fun summer experiences.

Parents, I would like to remind you to please check your child's folders in the evening when you pick up. Information about your child's day and your child's needs are written on daily sheet, which will be found in their folders, along with flyers about upcoming events. I would also urge you to check out our daily schedule or ask us about our schedule to ensure your child is getting the most out of their day at school. In the morning, we have things like science, music, art, group time, outside play, and any special events that are going on in the building. During the summer, we will take walks that are off the property and not around the building, so if you don't get here before ten o'clock, you might miss us. Thank you so much! ☺

Ms. Aly, Ms. Lise & Ms. Melissa

## THE HOPPERS

**Ms. Diane**

Happy Birthday America! July means fun in the sun and lots of water activities. Towards the end of the month we will be watching for the air-

planes that will be flying above us during the days of EAA. This month our themes will be: "Happy Birthday America", "Under the Sea", and "Up in the Air".

Summer is a time to enjoy oneself and have fun! The Hopper room will continue to learn together, but we will be using the outdoors to help us learn and have fun. Our Hoppers will work on coordination and partner up with the Scooters as we have baby doll circle time together, and play in the outdoor classroom. This time of year, nature will be our classroom!

Thanks for all you do!

Ms. Diane

## THE SNAPPERS

Ms. Leah

Summer is in full swing! There will be no naps on any Tuesday that we go swimming. We will nap every Thursday (except for the Spectrum Roller Skating and Bowling field trip days).

To clarify, summer fun money is designated for treats or special activities while on the field trips (buying ice cream treats at the pool, pizza party, lunch at Dairy Queen, etc.). The cost of all field trips (farm and swimming entrance fees, bowling costs, etc.) and all bus costs will be billed along with your tuition. If you have any questions, please ask administration up front.

Our themes this month will be the Ice Cream, 4<sup>th</sup> of July, the Beach/Ocean, and the Zoo. We will continue to weed and learn about our Davis gardens as we wait for their goodies to grow. We're great gardeners! We also hope to utilize our outdoor learning classroom often throughout the summer!

Something to work on this month is more cutting! Planning a family trip to a museum or zoo over a weekend? Have children cut out squares for the animals or paintings and draw on them! Create a mural, which will help them work on their pencil grip as well!

A reminder that nap items, swim items, and water bottles all need to go home every Friday (or Thursday if you do not attend Fridays) to be cleaned and returned every Monday. Thank you for your cooperation.

Have a great summer! ☺

Ms. Leah



## THE SPARKLERS

Ms. Christy

Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July! Just a reminder we will be closed on Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup>. The summer is flying by so fast. We have a lot planned for July! We will be going on field trips to Evergreen, Heckrodt Nature Preserve, and to Spectrum Roller Skating/park. Do not forget Omro pool days on Tuesday. That has been the talk of the classroom. The Sparklers are super excited for it all. In the Sparkler room I have been helping them with the skills and tools that they will need for the Ranger room. We are always working on using our words, being helpful not hurtful, working together, and listening to our friends. The books that I read to them help with these skills - Tucker the turtle, swimming at Omro pool, and We Are Going on a Field Trip. These books show them and talk to them about what we should and should not do. Fine motor is always a skill we are working on. One way to do this at home would be to make a necklace. You could use fruit loops, beads, or any other materials you have at home - yarn or string would work. This activity will help with the pinching grip fingers which is good for holding a pencil. We will be learning about the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, camping, and the zoo. It is going to be a great month and I cannot wait to get started!

## THE RANGERS

Ms. Michelle, Ms. Sara R., & Ms. Sara C.

Happy Summer Break Everyone!!!!

The Ranger room has been very busy over the past few weeks with field trips and other special activities. The Rangers got to explore Menominee Park Zoo and discover all the different animals that live there. We have been to Meuer Farm in Chilton, WI. The Rangers had lots of fun picking strawberries in the fields and playing on the amazing slide and other outdoor playground stations. We learned a lot about the different grains and plants that grow on there, as well as the many animals that are at the farm.

During the month of July, we will be continuing our field trips to the Omro Pool, the Rangers will be going on Tuesdays throughout the summer - weather permitting. Swimsuits and towels can be taken on pool days to be washed for the following week's field trip to the pool. On Fridays please take home your Ranger's water bottles and nap time items to be washed and return to school for the following week. Some other field trips this month are: Heckrodt Nature Preserve, Zoozort at Davis, and Spectrum Roller skating/Lakeside Park. If you are interested in chaperone a field trip please sign-up on our parent board. If you haven't taken the Davis chaperone class and our interested in coming on a field trip please see the front desk, you need to be approved as a chaperone to attend our field trips.

-The Ranger Room-

# SCIENCE

Ms. Jenn

We will continue to take STEM outside this month if the rain holds off! We plan to do more work in the garden and focus our learning about lady bugs and their important role in eating garden pests. We'll also do another 2Bite Club, and we will explore lemons through oobleck sensory play and by making volcanoes using lemon's natural acidity. To round out the month, the school agers will help make a pom pom ball run for our younger friends to play with, and the older friends will learn about how rivers are shaped. It looks to be another fun month of discovery; what do can you find going on in the world around you?

## Garden Update



Our garden is growing well with all the rain and heat! We've already harvested strawberries, radishes, kale, lettuce, and garlic scapes that have been incorporated into the food menu at Davis. Our school age friends are also taking on some cooking projects with garden produce. This month we are looking forward to adding zucchini, beets, yellow beans, kohlrabi, and maybe some tomatoes to our harvest list. We'll also spend some time weeding and adding some new materials to our bug hotel. It looks to be a fun month of food and exploration!

July 2019						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 Davis Closed  Independence Day	5	6
7	8	9 Omro Pool Leave 12:15 Return 3:00	10 SA: Balloon Artist Class 1pm	11 Heckrodt Nature Preserve Leave 9:00am Nature Tour 9:30-11am Return 11:30am	12	13
14	15	16 Omro Pool Leave 12:15 Return 3:00	17	18 Zoozort 9:45-10:45 \$2	19 Davis Cookout	20
21	22	23 Omro Pool Leave 12:15 Return 3:00 Girl Scouts- Rangers and SA 9:30-10:45	24	25 Spectrum Roller Skating Leave 9:00am Skate 9:30-11am Lakeside park 11:30-2:00 (Picnic Lunch 11:30-12) Return 2:30pm \$5+bus	26	27
28	29	30 Omro Pool Leave 12:15 Return 3:00	31			