



Pre-school & Child Care

"Come Grow With Us"

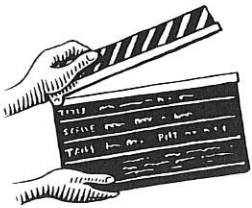
February 2023



Directors Corner

School Readiness

This is the time of year that I get many parents asking if their child is ready for school. There are many factors that go into answering this question. We look at the individual child's development in small and large motor skills, cognitive skills, communication skills and personal-social skills. Children must be 5 before September 1st, 2023 to register for school. I also encourage parents to consider their options and what environment would be the best option for their child. Parents can choose private kindergarten or public school kindergarten. Private programs will typically provide children with smaller class size and more individual attention.



Carol Matheys Kindergarten

Are you looking for a wonderful, safe kindergarten experience for your child?

Carol Matheys offers a private Kindergarten that offers a small class size, a developmentally appropriate environment with a full Kindergarten curriculum that meets the MN education standards. For more information and registration materials please contact the office at 651-777-6668 or spenn@cmmcc.org



A huge thank you to all the families that participated in the Heggies Fundraiser. **Pizza pick up day is Thursday February 9th 2-5:00pm**

THANK YOU!
Thank you to all the families who have donated paper products. It is very appreciated!!

Upcoming Events

Oakdale Discovery Center Family Fun

Check out the fun family activities at the Oakdale Discovery Center.

Discovery Backpacks

Stop by the Discovery center and check out one of the Discovery Backpacks at no cost. Inside you will find everything needed for a fun exploration in the Oakdale nature preserve. Locate animal tracks and identify trees. Use the binoculars to see deer, racoons and birds.

Snowshoe Rental

Discover the beautiful 200 acers of the Oakdale Nature Preserve. Adult and children sizes available. Rates are \$5 per person for 2 hour rental.

651-747-3860 for reservations

Parent Referral Program Help us spread the word!

Parent referrals are our best advertising. We are currently enrolling for next fall **Preschool, Pre-K and Kindergarten**. We also will be enrolling for **School Age Summer Day Camps and Before & After School care** for next fall. If you refer a family to our program and they enroll you receive a **\$100.00 tuition credit!**

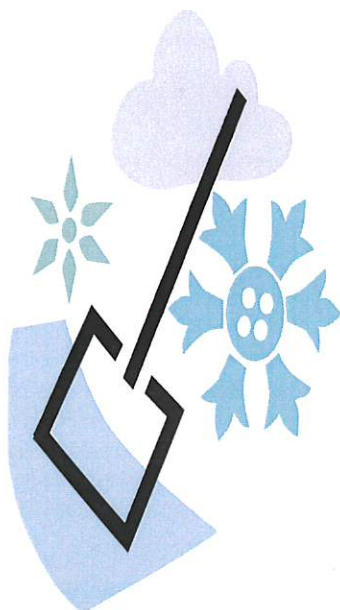


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Reminders



All Families

- Please let us know when your child is sick. We are required to post contagious illnesses to inform other families of exposure. We are also asking families to test your children for Covid when sick. This includes stomach illnesses. We have test kits available.

Center Closed Dates:

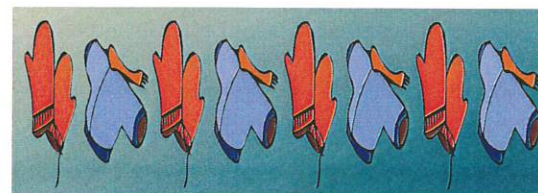
February 20- Presidents Day Training Day
March 10-Conferences
April 7th-Training Day & Good Friday

Preschool Families

- Preschool Valentines Party is Monday-Feb.14. Watch brightwheel for details.

School Age Families

- Watch your email for **summer registration**. We give current families priority. If you register by March 30th, you will receive a \$25 registration discount!



CM Wish List

Scratch Paper
Masking Tape
Clorox Wipes

Books of the Month

Black History Month is a great time to add new books to your library. A few suggestions are: "Dream Big Little One" by Vashti Harrison, "Brave Ballerina" by Michelle Meadows and "Little Melba and her Big Trombone" by Katheryn Russell-Brown

Friends of Carol Matheys

Are you a 3M Employee?

Did you know that 3M will match any employee donation to Carol Matheys Center for Children and Families? 3M helps support local charitable organizations. Check with Stacie at spenn@cmmcc.org for more information

Early Learning Corps

Ms. Angela has been busy helping our preschool with letters and numbers. If your child brought home a yellow homework bag, please return the book and workbook when finished with it.

Community Information



Oakdale Discovery Center Indoor Market

February 4th and 18th
9am-1pm

Come shop local at the safe Oakdale Indoor Market. Local vendors include a unique variety of items including baked goods, meats, canned goods, artisan foods, sweets, salsas, strudels and much more!

Best Snow Sculpture of Oakdale Contest

Build an amazing snow sculpture with your family and submit your photo to Nathan@ci.oakdale.mn.us by March 31. The winner will win \$100 gift card
This year's theme is "upside down snowman"

