

# Kid Zone News

A monthly newsletter about your kids! May 2015

## Teacher Appreciation: May 4-8



Help recognize the teachers who make a positive impact on your child each day!

Below are the planned activities – feel free to do whatever you seems appropriate!

- ☉ **Monday** – “Thank You” poster – By gym, add your thoughts or thanks!
- ☉ **Tuesday** – Breakfast for staff (parent sponsored)
- ☉ **Wednesday** – Lunch for staff (parent sponsored)
- ☉ **Thursday** – Flower bouquets (parent funded)
- ☉ **Friday** – Snack break for staff (parent sponsored)

## Plant Sale Pick Up!



The plants that were ordered through the Plant Sale Fundraiser will be delivered on

Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup>! We are still looking for volunteers to help unload the plants, sort orders and assist with pick up. [Sign up here!](#)

## Spring Clean-up!



On Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, we are looking for parent volunteers to assist us with our spring clean-up! Please consider helping us sprucing up around the center. Kid Zone will provide supplies and childcare.

Please sign up [HERE](#) or send an email to [director@kzccc.com](mailto:director@kzccc.com). Thanks in advance for your help!

## Sunscreen Permission Forms



Spring is here! We are starting to apply sunscreen before we head outside to enjoy the weather! Please fill out the attached sunscreen permission form and

return it to the Kid Zone office by May 8<sup>th</sup>! Kid Zone provides Water Babies SPF 50 sunscreen or you may bring your preferred brand. We ask that aerosol sunscreen products be used at home.

## Calendar of Events

- 🍷 **May 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Kid Zone Cleanup Day from 9:00am to 12:00pm. [CLICK HERE](#) to volunteer.
- 🍷 **May 4<sup>th</sup>** – Tuition prepay due date for two weeks of attendance.\*
- 🍷 **May 7<sup>th</sup>** – Plant Sale Fundraiser pick-up from 2-6pm in the gymnasium. [CLICK HERE](#) to help.
- 🍷 **May 7<sup>th</sup>** – Kid Zone Board Meeting from 4:30pm-6:00pm.
- 🍷 **May 4<sup>th</sup> – May 8<sup>th</sup>** – Teacher Appreciation week. [CLICK HERE](#) to help support this effort.
- 🍷 **May 10<sup>th</sup>** – Happy Mother’s Day
- 🍷 **May 15<sup>th</sup>** – Kid Zone Date Night 6:00-9:00pm [CLICK HERE](#)
- 🍷 **May 16<sup>th</sup>** – Kid Zone Community Garden Planting Day 9:00 – 12:00pm
- 🍷 **May 18<sup>th</sup>** – Tuition prepay due date for two weeks of attendance.\*
- 🍷 **May 25<sup>th</sup>** – Kid Zone is **closed** for Memorial Day.
- 🍷 **June 4<sup>th</sup>** – Tuition prepay due date for two weeks of attendance\*
- 🍷 **June 4<sup>th</sup>** – Kid Zone Board Meeting from 4:30pm-6:00pm
- 🍷 **June 11<sup>th</sup>** – Pre-K Graduation Ceremony in the gymnasium from 4:30-5:30pm
- 🍷 **June 21<sup>st</sup>** – Happy Father’s Day
- 🍷 **June 19<sup>th</sup> through June 21<sup>st</sup>** – St. Louis Park –Parktacular Celebration <http://www.parktacular.org/>
- 🍷 **June 20<sup>th</sup>** – Come see Kid Zone in the Grand Day Parade at 12:00pm as part of the Parktacular Celebration
- 🍷 **June 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Tuition prepay due date for two weeks of attendance\*



\* Tuition is due in advance on the dates noted above. If it is not received by 6:00PM Wednesday of that week, a \$10 per day / per child late fee will be incurred on Thursday, and each day following.

## Child Care Software Coming to Kid Zone

Over the next few weeks Kid Zone will be implementing new child care software that will modernize our operations and make it easier for you to work with Kid Zone. Here are the highlights of the software and how it will help to make your parent experience even better!

- **New Child Sign In and Sign Out Feature:** On each floor of Kid Zone, you'll find a wall mounted kiosk where you can quickly sign your child in and out each day – simply using a finger print or a pin unique to your family. More details will be shared in the coming weeks. This new technology will provide documentation of your transition of care to and from Kid Zone, which is a requirement of our licensing agreement with the State of Minnesota.
- **New Parent Texting Feature:** We'll be able to send individual or group texts to parents as a quick way to make you aware of important Kid Zone information (e.g., Kid Zone is closed due to significant snow fall).

Your fundraising contributions continue to help us modernize Kid Zone. Thank you for your ongoing support! For questions about our new child care software, please contact Marcy or Melissa.

### Summer Shoes



A friendly reminder as you begin buying summer shoes! All children at Kid Zone need to wear shoes or sandals that have closed toes. This is a safety issue and we appreciate your attention to this policy!



### Kiddy Krackups

- Talking to Ms. Melissa, Esme S. said, "Who was that?" referring to a construction worker. Ms. Melissa said, "A worker I had to talk to." Esme said, "But he's a stranger!"
- Lauren H. said, "Kathy! Kathy! Superman's poopy!" referring to a friend that likes to wear hero shirts.

### Cubby Clean-out

With the weather turning warmer please take a minute to clean out your child's cubby and file folder. You may also want to consider switching your child's rest blanket from the warm fleece blankets to a thinner lightweight blanket.

Additionally, as you switch over the extra clothes in your child's cubby and bring the lightweight jackets, **please label them with your child's name**. Many families shop at the same stores and we find duplicates. (Don't forget to have extra socks available for your child.)

Additionally, please consider bringing in a wide brimmed sun hat for your child!

### Date Night

Kid Zone will once again be hosting a date night on Friday, May 15th from 6:00pm to 9:00pm (just \$30 for one child and \$10 for each additional child). We'll have pizza and fruit, put on our pajamas, and play! Please reserve your child's place by registering [HERE](#) and provide your check by Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. (Please make your date night payment with a separate check from your tuition payment to facilitate easier tracking.)

### Greetings from the Garden Club!

Garden season has started!

Please come join us for our annual Planting Day!

Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am – 12:00 pm.