

Dear Kiddie Academy Families!

We wish our families a Happy 4th of July & summer!

As you all get started with your summer activities and vacation, we just wanted to update you on our July highlights. They include:

- June 8th– August 3, 2018- Water Days on Fridays. Parents, please bring your child to school in their bathing suit with a change of clothes and a towel. Please no swim diapers. Water play will be at your child's morning playground time.

- July 3, 2018– Fourth of July Party – During your child's afternoon snack time, we will be celebrating the 4th of July. Sign –up sheets will be located on the classroom doors.

- July 4, 2018 - Closed to observe July 4th.

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- July 21, 2018- Kids Night Out - Our next Kids/Parent Night Out will be held on Saturday, from 6:00-10:00 p.m. As our parents have a special evening out, their children will also have a night out. Our theme is "Summer Fun".

Happy 4th of July!

The Kiddie Academy Family

Teaching Pride to Shape Confident Kids!

We know that special moments happen constantly with children; we see it with your kids every day right here at Kiddie Academy! Kids experience success in big and little ways, whether it's learning to tie a shoe, spell their name or multiply numbers for the first time. During the month of July, the Kiddie Academy character education program is focused on pride. We think it's important to take notice of special moments and use these victories to encourage children to feel good about their success and confident about themselves.

We wanted to share a few ideas about how you can align with this emphasis at home:

Proud to be me! Does your kid have a distinctive birthmark? A quirky Aunt Ida? Talk to your child about what makes your family unique and why you, as a parent, are proud to be a part of such an interesting dynamic. Highlighting, rather than hiding, your child's differences will inspire him or her to celebrate what makes he or she special, rather than feel ashamed about it.

"You're doing a great job!" As parents, we can foster feelings of pride by talking to our kids about their accomplishments and encouraging them to share what makes them feel special. Sometimes the problem with phrases like "Good Job" or "Well Done" is that they do not have lasting meaning for kids. By highlighting specific moments and the characteristic that your child used to achieve an action will help build his or herself-esteem. Describe why what they did was special. For instance, if your child learned the Pledge of Allegiance, you might say "I'm so proud of you for achieving this goal. By working hard and studying, you were able to recite the Pledge all by yourself. I really loved how you incorporated placing your hand over your heart like we practiced at home."

Know the difference. Displaying the appropriate amount of pride in the right way can be tough for younger kids. Help your child learn the difference between pride and conceit by reading related stories, such as "The Tortoise and the Hare" and "Yertle the Turtle and Other Stories." You can also take your children to watch a local sports game to teach them what team spirit is all about and discuss any instances that might relate to bragging or boasting.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Olivia, Aaden, William, Marcus, Aiden,  
Parker, Arryn, Aayansh, Axl, Cailyn,  
Rudra, Lyric, Hayden, Nolan, Caylin,  
Jaxson

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# Summertime Fun



## Teachable Moments

Our Starfish students took their learning outside the classroom and enhanced their fine motor skills while sponge painting.



## Special Events

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## Parent Reminders

Parent Reminder 1  
Kiddie Academy is a peanut and nut free facility.

Parent Reminder 2  
Please make sure your child has a change of clothes in his/her cubby box.



# JULY

# 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Fourth of July: Classroom celebrations (PM snack)	4 Kiddie Academy: CLOSED	5	6 Water Day: Every Friday	7
8	9 School Supplies drive starts!  Precious Little Portraits on site (7/9-7/11)	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20 Last day to donate to our "School Supplies" drive	21 Parent Date Night 6:00-10:00pm
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11

# What's new in Penguin?

During the month of June, our Penguin students learned how to be active and move their body. Students practiced interactive gross motor activities throughout the month along with how to take care of their bodies.

Another focus this month was working on students letters and sounds to enhance students phonemic awareness.

