

Parents as Teachers Newsletter

For the Parents of our Wee Whirlwind Pals

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Upcoming Group Events:

Infant Massage

This class has been rescheduled for Tuesday, February 9th at 6 pm. Sorry for the inconvenience due to the inclement weather.

Build-It with Dad Night

Monday, February 22nd at 6:00 pm

In the commons area

Enter through the West doors by the Dome

It's that time of year again!



A Home Depot building clinic trainer will lead the children through a building activity. This class will be most appropriate for 3-5 year old children. Parents will need to help throughout the entire process. This is intended to be a Dad and child night; however, if Dad is not available, mom is of course welcome to come! Bring your child's apron from the past if you have one.

Music with Mar

Tuesday, April 26th at 6pm

In the commons area

Enter through the West doors by the Dome



Music with Mar (pronounced Mare) is a national program that uses music to teach early childhood social, motor, language and cognitive skills. All of Mar's songs are based on brain research for ages 9 months - 5 years old, but you'd never know it because you'll be having too much fun!

In this class, the children sit on the parents lap, as we all participate in the music together. A special thanks to the PTO for funding this presenter.

Monthly Infant-Toddler Play-Dates

2nd Wednesday of every month

11:30-12:30

Please enter through the front school doors. We will all meet there. If you arrive late, please buzz in and report to the elementary office to sign in.

Wednesday, February 10th

Wednesday, March 9th

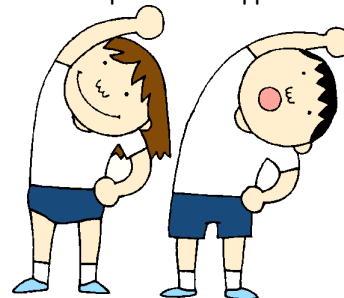
Wednesday, April 13th

Wednesday, May 11th



Bring your little ones and join in on the socialization of the children and parents. We will continue to have a structured activity along with free play learning time. Several parent resources will be available as well. We look forward to meeting more families there!

Thanks again goes to the PTO for funding these events and providing funds to purchase supplies for activities.



Stretch 'N Grow

Tuesday, March 8th at 6:00 pm

In the West Gym

Enter through the front school doors

Our Stretch N' Grow Instructor will lead the activities for the night as we learn about staying healthy. Exercise and movement activities will entertain the kids as they learn about healthy foods and exercises that are good for the body. This is always a fun time of movement and dancing often including the use of hula hoops, obstacle courses and parachute fun! This event is being funded by a donation from the PTO.

CPR Training

TBA in the month of May

Enter through the front school doors and follow the signs



Join our school nurse, Keri Lett, for an evening of training to become CPR certified. Keri is a Red Cross CPR certified instructor. It does not matter if this is your first CPR training or just your recertification, all are welcome. You will learn about adult and child CPR, how to help a choking child or adult and how to use an AED device. This training usually lasts about 2 hours. Only 6 spots are available and are filled on a first come first serve basis. A special thanks goes to the PTO for funding this presenter.

Developmental Screenings

All children in the community are eligible to receive a free health and developmental screening through the PAT program. This can be done in your home or at the school during an afternoon or evening appointment. Call or e-mail Kristi Reynolds to set up your appointment today (816) 293-5312 ext. 322 or kreynolds@archie.k12.mo.us.

If a developmental or health delay is detected your child may be eligible to receive other free services. Addressing these delays at such a young age often means they will be on track by the time they enter school.



PAT Lending Toy Closet & Library

Stop by the PAT Toy Closet anytime and check something out for your child today!

Find us on Facebook-
Archie Parents As Teachers

Follow us on the web-

<http://www.archie.k12.mo.us>

This is the school's website. To access the PAT information follow the Parents tab to the Parents as Teachers link and you will be connected with all the current PAT information.



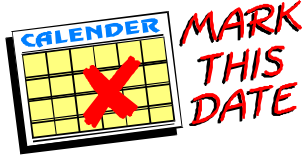
Community news-

Archie Youth Spring Soccer

This is one of the youngest sports available to children in our community. If your child turned 4 by 1/1/16, he or she is eligible for this league. The deadline for sign-ups is Thursday, February 11th. Please contact Kristie Key for any questions at (816) 284-6479 or at keycalvin@gmail.com. You can also follow this organization on Facebook at the 'Archie Youth Soccer' page. Registration forms are available at the school and in the PAT parent resource dept.



Important Dates:



Kindergarten Screening Thursday, March 31st

Appointments are scheduled every 15 minutes from 9:00-11:30 and 1:00-2:30. Please allow at least a $\frac{1}{2}$ hour to 45 min. for the screening process.

Any child who will be 5 years old before August 1, 2016 is eligible for kindergarten enrollment. Parents must bring their child's official state birth certificate, immunization records, social security number, and a proof of residency (such as a utility bill) to enroll your child. Hospital or county birth certificates are not adequate for school files. If you do not have an official copy of the birth certificate, you may go to the Cass County Health Department to get one or go online to Missouri Department of Health website if your child was born in Missouri. Please call the school (816) 293-5312 ext. 100 to schedule your appointment today. Screenings will begin in the elementary office.

Kindergarten Readiness Meeting

Tuesday, May 3rd, 6:00-7:00pm

Enter through the front school doors and follow the signs

If you have a child entering Kindergarten in the Fall of 2016, we invite you to attend this informational night. The Kindergarten teachers along with the elementary principal and the PAT educator will be leading tours of the school, Kindergarten classrooms, discussion of curriculum requirements, giving out school supply lists etc. Childcare will be provided.

Preschool Enrollment Meeting

Tuesday, April 19th
6:00-7:00pm



Please enter through the front school doors and follow the signs

If you have a 3 or 4 year old child who you would want to enroll in this program this meeting is for you. If you can not attend, please be sure to contact the preschool to make other arrangements to pick up your packet after this date. The preschool's phone number is (816) 293-5339. Preschool packets will not be available prior to this date.

At this meeting you will be able to pick up and complete your packet. You will also get to meet your child's preschool teacher, as well as learn more about the curriculum used in the Archie Preschool program.

Please bring a copy of your child's birth certificate, social security card and immunization record to complete your packet. A physical form must also be completed by your doctor. These physical forms can be picked up ahead of time from the elementary office so that you can have this dr. apt. completed prior to this meeting.

Completed packets will be accepted any time after this meeting from 4 year old in district children. Completed packets include the \$50 enrollment fee, physical exam and all other paperwork including a copy of the birth certificate, social security card, etc.

The preschool program enrolls children on a first come first serve basis based on when your completed packet is returned. All 4 year old children are enrolled first. There are 20 morning and 20 afternoon seats available in our preschool program. If any of the 40 seats are left open come August then 3 year old children will be allowed to enroll. 3 year old children are enrolled in the order of their birth date according to when they will turn 4. 3 year old children just need to have their name put on a waiting list. You will not worry about turning in a completed packet until you receive a phone call regarding available openings. All in district 4 and 3 year old children will be enrolled prior to any out of district children.

