



July 2018

God's blessings and I pray you are having a wonderful summer.

The children enjoyed exploring many new learning opportunities and were blessed with guest speakers and presenters during June curriculum units. The fun does not stop here though! July promises to offer many fun opportunities to learn and discover Science, the Circus and Dinosaurs as well. Please read the Extended Care letter for specific activities and dates.

There are many families and faculty taking vacations during the summer. Our goal is to support your family time of relaxation and vacation while disrupting the children as little as possible. Please do not hesitate to communicate with your child's teacher or an administrator with any questions you may have regarding any summer activities.

To assist you as you plan for the coming school year, I have attached the 2018-2019 School Calendar with various school dates and events. Some immediate dates to be aware of include:

JULY

- Sunday, **July 1**, you are invited to a **Freedom Celebration** at Gloria Dei. The Colors will be presented at the 9:30 Service and a salute to the Armed Forces at the 9:30 and 11:00 Services. Retired Air Force Colonel, fighter pilot and president of Concordia University AT, Tom Cedel will be speaking at the services. Food, activities and music from the Space City Big Band will last until 1:30 PM.

- Day One will be **Closed** in observance of Independence Day on Wednesday, **July 4**.



Watch for **JOY**, the comfort dog at Gloria Dei, in the Nassau Bay Fourth of July Parade.

- Those families interested in **Baptism** are invited to attend a Baptism Marker Experience to learn more about Baptism, the beginning of one's faith pathway, on Sunday, **July 29**, at Gloria Dei from 11-12:30 PM. Contact Andee Hasty at ahasty@gdlc.org to register or for more information.
- Bring the family to **FAMILY FUN NIGHT** on Sunday, **July 29**, from 5-7 PM for dinner and activities, "A Minute to Win It Games"! For more information, and to register your family, visit the Gloria Dei Web site at www.gdlc.org.

AUGUST

- Wednesday, **August 1**, each family is requested to verify that their child's information is up-to-date, complete a new Simply Giving Authorization Form and sign a new Tuition Agreement Form with Mrs. Kelly Money. All 2018-2019 tuition rates go into effect on August 1.
- Friday, **August 10** will be the final day of school for children not enrolled in the program for the 2018-2019 school year. We pray that these children will leave knowing their strength comes from the grace that our Lord has offered to them during the many successes and challenges they have, and will continue to face.

- Sunday, **August 12**, (any, and all) students and teachers are invited to attend the 8, 9:30 or 11 AM Service at Gloria Dei and receive a **special blessing** from the pastoral staff and congregation as they begin a new school year.
- Wednesday through Friday, **August 15-17**, DOCA will be **closed** as the faculty participates in their annual CPR, First Aid training and Professional Development. **No childcare** will be offered on these days.
- Friday, **August 17** students are encouraged to attend **Meet Your Teacher & Ice Cream Social** from 2:30-4:30 PM This is a great opportunity to meet your child's teacher prior to the first day of school and enjoy some ice cream with the Family Ministry Team. Day One and **DK Tumblebus** have partnered together for the past 18 years to offer gymnastics to our students two years of age and older, The Tumblebus will be available for the children and their families to tour and the coaching staff will be available to provide information, sign your child up and/or answer questions.
- Monday, **August 20**, classes will begin for the **new school year**. Transitions create different levels of anxiety in teachers, parents and children. I encourage you to reassure and encourage your child as he/she begins the new school year. I would like to support and promote great communication between teachers and parents during this time of change. To allow children an opportunity to adjust to their classroom schedule, teacher and new classmates, any extracurricular activities will begin the second week of school. The first Parent Chapel will be on Wednesday, August 22.
- Sunday, **August 26**, children and students of **ALL** ages are invited to the **Back-to-School Bash**. Additional information will be available at www.gdlc.org at a later date.

Day One Christian Academy tries to maintain the most up-to-date information on our website at all times. Go to www.dayonechristianacademyc.org to access information regarding the program, events, dates and activities. If you are not able to find the information that you are looking for, please do not hesitate to contact us at **(281) 333-3323** for assistance.