

PIEDMONT CHILD CARE CENTER NEWSLETTER

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“Mothers hold their children's hands for a short while, but their hearts forever.”

~Author Unknown

TIPS FOR PARENTS: CREATING MEANINGFUL MOMENTS

With the warm weather finally here, there are many fun ways to create lasting memories with your children... and to have fun!

Ways to Stay Connected with your little ones...

- Pick your own strawberries and make jam. Enjoy life. It's delicious.
- Build a campfire in the backyard (in a grill or fire pit), and roast hot dogs on sticks and make s'mores with chocolate bars, marshmallows and graham crackers. Sit around, tell stories and enjoy the night air and the flames as they warm your fingers and toes.
- Go miniature golfing together. Set up teams and prepare to laugh as children and adults alike compete for the lowest score. Give prizes to the winners, both old and young.
- Get tickets for your local professional, minor league or college baseball game. Spend an afternoon in the sun eating hot dogs, peanuts, and singing during the seventh-inning stretch. (If you get there early, you may be able to catch fly balls from batting practice.) Consider tailgating, and create and serve a feast from the trunk of your car.
- Check out the local public gardens in your area, perhaps one that serves Chinese tea or has acres of



roses.

DON'T FORGET.... IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO OFFER YOUR HELP WITH OUR GARDEN! GARDENING IS A GREAT WAY TO SPEND TIME WITH YOUR CHILD 😊

MAY 2011... A MONTH OF FUN!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 MAY DAY DANCE AROUND THE MAYPOLE!	2 TAKE A TRIP TO THE LIBRARY, GET YOUR CHILD'S FAVORITE BOOK	3 GO TO THE ZOO! OR HEAD TO A LOCAL PETTING ZOO OR FARM	4 SPRING CLEAN- DONATE OLD TOYS/ CLOTHES	5 CINCO DE MAYO TRY MEXICAN FOOD	6 PLANT A BEAN SEED IN A PLASTIC CUP. CHART ITS GROWTH THROUGHOU T THE MONTH	7 WASH THE CAR AS A FAMILY
8 MOTHER'S DAY MAKE A TREAT FOR MOM	9 PLAY HIDE AND SEEK	10 MAKE A HOMEMAD E PIZZA	11 DECORAT E THE DRIVEWAY WITH SIDEWALK CHALK	12 TAKE A FAMILY BIKE RIDE OR WALK	13 MAKE COLLAGES WITH OLD HOUSEHOLD MATERIALS	14 LEARN MAGIC TRICKS AND PUT ON A SHOW
15 COOK DINNER WITH YOUR CHILD	16 GO TO THE PARK. SWING, SLIDE, RUN!	17 PLAY DRESS UP	18 PLAY FREEZE TAG	19 WATCH THE SUNSET	20 GO FISHING	21 GO OUT FOR ICE CREAM... OR MAKE YOUR OWN!
22 BAKE PLAIN SUGAR COOKIES AND DECORAT E THEM	23 PLAY MINI GOLF	24 DO SOMETHIN G KIND FOR SOMEONE ELSE TODAY	25 HAVE A BOARD GAME NIGHT	26 FLY A KITE	27 CREATE RAINBOWS... SPRAY WATER FROM THE HOSE IN BRIGHT SUNLIGHT	28 PACK A LUNCH AND GO ON A PICNIC
29 MAKE POPCORN AND WATCH MOVIES	30 MEMORIAL DAY PCCC CLOSED	31 MAKE LEMONADE				