Premier Child Care Newsletter

Preparing College-Bound





Highlights

Nerd Spirit Day

Nickel City

Atlas! August marks the last month of our summer fun, summer camp, and summer field trips. Even though teachers and students are still enjoying the summer activities, they are sad to realize that it is almost at its end. School-age children who have returned for the summer are also enjoying fun, games, and swimming. However, we look forward to a brand new school year, brand new school challenges and most of all brand new school learning and exploring. Goodbye to summer and Hello to Autumn Surprises. Premier Child Care Centers are determined to tackle all new challenges with a renewed vitality and positive energy.

AUGUST FACTS

- Our 44th President Barack Obama was born in the month of August.
- The name "August" was given by Roman emperor August, in 8BC. Until then, the Romans called August "Sextilis" meaning the sixth month of their calendar.
- Many other versions of the name designate this month as Harvest Month.
- Black Business Month
- Children's Eye Health and Safety Month
- Children's Vision and Learning Month
- National Back to School Month
- Get Ready for Kindergarten Month
- National Picnic Month
- Water Quality Month
- What Will Be Your Legacy Month

Front and Center

The Front and Center section for August is designated to "Back to School Resources." The following sites are available; for parents and their child/ren to participate:



It Takes A Village

August 19, 2017 / 10:00am-1:00pm 4320 W. 15th Street Chicago, IL 60623 Free backpacks, School supplies, Games and More

Rud Rilliken Parade August 12, 2017

King Drive from Dakwood Blvd to 55th and Ellsworth Dr. 5531 South Doctor Martin Luther King Junior Drive Chicago, IL The oldies African American Parade in the City of Chicago

Englewood Back to School Parade

Ogden Park, 6500 S. Racine Ave. Saturday, August 19., 2017 Registration 8:30am-10am, parade 10:30am-3:30pm, Free. (773) 619-7247. englewoodparade.org

Join the procession from 57th and Halsted through Ogden Park to celebrate the end of summer and prepare for the start of school. Now entering its fifty-fifth year, the Englewood Back to School Parade is the second oldest African-American parade in the city. Come for the live music and performances, the food, or the free school supplies for kids. Groups can register to participate in the parade for free as well.



Pill Hill - As the Summer continues, Pill Hill is enjoying all of our fun activities and field trips! We are preparing for our big water trip, Water Works where the majority of our parents volunteer. We are also having Charity Day where we will have a Bake Sale. The donations will go to the school for an end of the year party for all the kids. We are so excited as we continue

Near the Pier - Tick Tock, Tick Tock! The summer clock is winding down. No worries there is still so much fun to be had. Like skating, water park, field day, spirit week and much more. We are very excited about our 'Lunches of Love Project." Our goal is to pass out 50 lunch boxes made with love. Through this activity, the children will learn that sharing is caring.

West Austin - Summer Camp is in full bloom thanks mostly to Northside Community Church for their generous grant. The children are enjoying all the wonderful sights and sounds of summer from the array of sites visited.

East Side - Our Summer program is in full swing and we are having a ball! A few trips we've enjoyed are, Hollywood Park, Nickel City, and Enchanted Castle. All have been awesome! This month we will begin to wrap up our Summer Program and turn our thoughts back to the business of learning. Registration is now open and we encourage all to enroll early. However, until school begins, East Side will continue to take advantage of this beautiful summer weather, and have a blast!

Symbols of the Month

- *Birthstones: Peridot and Sardonyx.
- *Zodiac signs: Leo (July 23 August 22) and Virgo (August 23 - September 22)
- *Flower: Gladiolus

Quote of the Month

"In August, the large masses of berries, which, when in flower, had attracted many wild bees, gradually assumed their bright velvety crimson hue, and by their weight again bent down and broke their tender limbs." by Henry David Thoreau

Poem of the Month

In the Good Old Summertime, by Ron Shields

"There's a time each year that we always hold dear, Good old summer time;

With the birds and the trees and sweet scented breezes, Good old summer time,

When your day's work is over, then you are in clover, And life is one beautiful rhyme,

No trouble annoying, each one is enjoying, The good old summer time."