



# Paradise Place

## August News...

*August 19th Last day of Summer session*

*School **closed** Aug. 22nd - 26th*

*August 29th First day of Fall session*



## **PARADISE PLACE**

## **NEEDS YOU!!!**

**Paradise Place is looking for a few good men & women to help on our board.**

What it IS:

1) An easy way to contribute to something so much bigger than our normal day in day out routines; the growth of preschool aged children as they learn everything from language acquisition, cooperative social interaction, and testing out their place in the world, to the academic foundations of math, science, reading, and writing that give them solid footing heading into kindergarten and beyond.

- 2) Opportunity to fulfill the parent hour requirements in a way that has long-lasting and invaluable returns for their time and effort.
- 3) A chance to help when help is needed.
- 4) A free drop in day a quarter

And with that in mind, here are a few things being a PP Board Member is NOT :

- 1) an obligation to attend and participate in every fundraiser all year long
- 2) an additional financial commitment
- 3) an obligation to be a "jack of all trades"- we're are wanting people to help where they can and feel they are a good fit. Like:

✚ President - responsible to lead and attend meetings, meet with Mr. Ben periodically, Director reviews

✚ Vice- President - attend meetings, step in for P. when P. not available

✚ Secretary - responsible to attend meetings and take minutes

✚ Treasurer- responsible to attend meetings, keep financial records

✚ P.R. - person(s) to hang posters, edit newspaper editorials, get info to KBUT, attend meetings

✚ Fundraising - person(s) to brainstorm and execute fundraisers. (If a group of people want to take this one on and each head up just one fundraiser a year, that works too)

✚ Building and Grounds - attend meetings, work with Mr. Ben on issues related to the structural needs of the school building and grounds

Please feel free to contact Mr. Ben or Laurel Marr @ [laurel@genesistrawfood.com](mailto:laurel@genesistrawfood.com) if you have any questions. Also fell free to let us know if you would like to attend a meeting to get a feel for things.

## **WONDERFUL THINGS COMING UP**

Paradise Place Committee: Next meeting will be on Thursday, August 11<sup>th</sup> from 11-1 pm.

### **F.Y.I.'S**

**All tuition for the Summer program must be paid in full before your child(ren) can start in the Fall program.**

***There is a 5% discount for paying for the entire fall session in advance by September 30. (Unless paying with a credit card/Total must be requested)***

Change in billing policy: Tuition for your schedule is computed for each program and billed in equal payments on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month prior, and due on the 1st of each month. Upon enrollment, the first month's tuition and an enrollment fee are due up front and are non-refundable. The Fall Program is billed in 9 equal payments. You are not being billed for holidays, Spring Break, 2 weeks at Christmas, or the week before and after the Summer Program. A 12% rate finance charge will be billed for tuitions received after the 30 - day grace period. If your account becomes more than 60 days overdue, a payment plan is required for your child to continue attending school. If your account becomes more than 60 days past due without a payment plan your child will no longer be able to attend school. Extra days will be added on to your next month's statement.

Scholarship Forms are available upstairs for the fall. Please make sure fill them out completely with a copy of your '10 tax returns to be eligible for assistance. The due date is September 2<sup>nd</sup> so don't hesitate.

Fall Schedule: I will be emailing a copy of the fall schedule to everyone. Please take the time to double check your child's schedule to avoid any confusion at the beginning of the school year. Please let me know if we need to make any changes.

Prayer Box: Remember to place your concerns and joys in the prayer box that is in the front foyer. The Family Liaison group will pray each month. All information is confidential.

## **GREAT PARENT IDEAS!**

### *Back-to-School Checklist for Younger Kids*

#### **In August**

- If the [school is new](#) to your child, [schedule a tour](#).
- [Speak to your child's teacher](#). If he is unavailable to meet with you in person, try setting up a telephone appointment.
- Finalize any [medication arrangements](#) with the Director. Be sure to let him know if your child has [allergies](#).

#### **The Night Before**

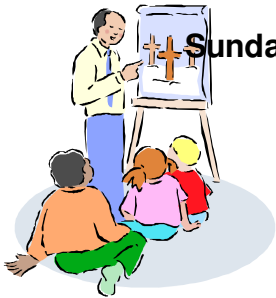
- Pack your child's [backpack](#) with preliminary [school supplies](#).

- Make sure your child has completed all summer assignments, and that they are packed in her bag.
- Put your child to bed early. [Anxiety and stress](#) are aggravated by fatigue, so make sure that she gets adequate sleep.

### The First Day of School

- Wake your child early, to allow plenty of time to get ready for the day.
- Prepare a [hearty breakfast](#).
- [Pack a nutritious lunch](#) and include a [lunchbox love note](#).
- Try to drive your child to school on the first day, even if you plan on using alternative [transportation](#) later on.
- Walk into the classroom, greet the teacher, and reintroduce your child.
- Point out your child's cubby, coat hook, and the nearest bathroom.
- Introduce yourself to other parents milling about, and introduce your child.
- Remind your child what time you will be back to pick her up.
- Don't be late!

### Church Information



**Sunday Services:** Union Congregational Church (UCC): 9:00 a.m.  
 Queen of All Saints Catholic Church: 8:30 a.m.  
 Oh Be Joyful Baptist Church: 9:00 a.m.  
 All Saints in the Mountains Church: 5:00 p.m.



### Birthdays –

Happy birthday to our **August** birthday kids and staff:

**Miles 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Miss Julie - 9<sup>th</sup>**

**Ebbet – 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Alex E. – 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Miss Amanda - 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Devin -29<sup>th</sup>**

### Reminders

Sunscreen! – Please apply sunscreen to your child before coming to school. It takes 15-20 minutes before the protection begins. We will do our best

to apply a second coat before going outside, but it takes a good amount of time to sunscreen 8-12 squirmy little ones and our teachers would really appreciate it.

Sign-in and Sign-out: Parents, please remember to **sign-in** and **out** each day. It is a state regulation.

## **THANK YOU**

To everyone who “Dined Out For Kids” and the supporting restaurants:  
**Soupcon, Teocalli Tamale, Lobar, Paradise Café, Izzy’s, Ginger Café, Le Bosquet/Why Cook, The Last Steep, Sunflower Deli, McGill’s, West End Public House & East Side Bistro**

Jenny Bancroft for doing a great job keeping our school clean  
Fed for coming to the Pioneer Museum

Mark, Al & Fae from Big Horn Balloons for giving us the opportunity to see the hot air balloon

Veronica from the fire station for another great tour of the trucks  
Lorie for the peat moss

Kathleen Fulton for her help in the Whales room  
Holly & Suzan for the composting lesson and supplies

## **WISH LIST**

Curtains  
Shelves for plants  
Bird seed  
AA batteries  
baskets/trays to display our lessons

## **QUOTES**

**Lambs:** Liam after falling off of a tricycle “I just fell off my mountain bike.”

**Doves:** Merrick “Mr. Ben when you were a kid Miss Gwyn was your teacher too. Right?”

Anna “We all have pink.” Nora responds with “Inside our bodies.”

Eva “cookies grow on ice cream.”

Miss Amanda reading from “A time to pee” “Now you can leave the bathroom!” Magnus “AMEN!”

**Lions:** Miss Julie “Sawyer what’s your wish?” Sawyer “That the world will always be the world.”

Van “The black trash bags are much better for trash – the kid on TV said, “Don’t get mad, get glad.””

Kai C. “where is Ebbet?” Miss Michelle “He’s in New Hampshire.” Kai C. “why is it new?”

## **AUGUST THEMES:**

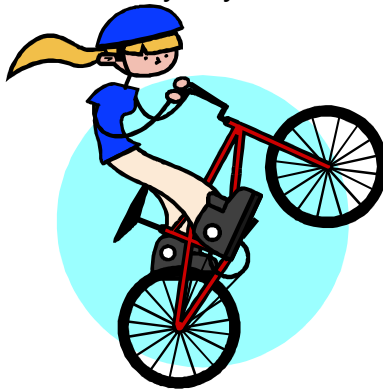
*Lambs: Bugs! The very Hungry Caterpillar*

*Doves: Garden w/bugs, transportation, & lions as mini themes*

*Lions: Pollinators*

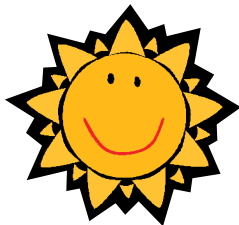
*Whales/Club Paradise: Water & letter sounds*

**Club Paradise's July Adventure Days:** Please bring a H2O bottle & change of clothes with your child every day!



- Tues Aug. 2 Soo Bak presentation (with Andy Tizzer) at Jerry's Gym then head to the town park
- Thurs. Aug 4th Play in the water at the rec path bridge (Ginny and Lou Lou will help us)
- Tues. Aug 9th Upper Loop Hike
- Thursday Aug 11th Blue Mesa Beach Day (JEN H WILL SUB FOR US!?)
- Tues. Aug. 16th Bike around town
- Thurs. Aug. 18th Last day of club paradise summer program! Park play and pizza party at the Brick!

Love and Thanks, Ben, Julie, Rebecca, Gwyn, Meredith, Charlie, Katie, Holly, Amanda, Sunny, Hillary, and the Kids!



**Office Hours**

Monday:	Ben - 8:30-5:00	
Tuesday:	Ben - 8:30-5:00	Hillary – 9:00-12:00
Wednesday:	Ben - 8:30-5:00	Hillary - 9:00-12:00
Thursday:	Ben - 8:30-5:00	
Friday:	Ben - 8:30-1:00	Hillary - 9:00-12:00

Paradise Place Committee Members (school board members)

Annaliese Houseman	Jeff Engel
Ben Poswalk	Laurel Marr
Kelly Jo Clark	Jamie Stambaugh
Barbra Crawford	Fr. Steven Murray