

Important Dates

May 4 6:30 p.m. Playground Meeting

May 8 6:00–10:00 p.m. Moms Night

May 14 9:00 a.m. Board Meeting

May 21 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. End-of-the-Year Picnic

May 22 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. End-of-the-Year Picnic

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End-of-the-Year Picnics

We will gather to celebrate the end of the school year on Thursday, May 21 and Friday, May 22 at Kroh Park. Join us from 10 a.m.–12 p.m. to play with friends, make plans for summer playdates, eat lunch, and say goodbye to the teachers.

There will be *no school* on these days. Families are encouraged to attend the picnic on either day, whichever is most convenient.

Please bring:

- A nut-free potluck dish to share, based on the first letter of your last name, A–H: Side (chips, dip, popcorn, pretzels, etc.)
 I–L: Side Dish (fruit, vegetables, pasta salad, green salad, etc.)
 M–P: Main Dish (noodles, chicken, casserole, small sandwiches, hot dogs, etc.)
 Q–Z: Dessert (cookies, brownies, fruit kabobs, etc.)
- Place settings for your family (plates, silverware, napkins, etc.),
- Blankets or lawn chairs,
- A bike, tricycle, or scooter and your helmet, (if you wish)
- Your camera.

Directions: Kroh Park is located off of Highway 287, directly east of the Habitat for Humanity store. The address is 5200 North Garfield Avenue. You can turn east on 50th Street, and then north on North Sun Valley Drive for parking closer to the playground.

Parent-helpers: If you are signed up to parent-help on May 21 or May 22, please bring drink and cups to share with the entire group that day.



Playground Project Progress

Work on the playground is progressing! We're excited that our fundraising efforts have yielded enough to move forward with installing new surface in the extended portion of the playground on the south side. The excavation took place on Friday, May 1. Soon the new curbing and mulch will be added. This space will then be prepped ready for the placement of new playground equipment!

Vote with Your Change

Jars to gather change (or paper money) for the potential playground equipment are in the hallway now. The equipment with the most "votes" will win our focus for installation over the summer. The money from the other jars will be added to the playground fund. We love having our resident playground experts put in their two cents!

Order Your Playground Brick Before May 15

Our brick sale will soon be ending. This major fundraiser is specifically for the playground, and is your chance to leave a lasting token of your child's time at Community Preschool on the playground. Bill and Becky Porter have been working hard to spread the word about the bricks, but we need to sell a lot more to reach our goal. The last day for orders will be Friday, May 15, 2015.

Go to the table in the hallway to check out the sample brick. Seek inspiration from the quotation book if you're stuck on what to write. The dates of attendance, names of your children, or last name are all sweet and simple options.



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Playground Brick

Order your own commemorative brick before the May 15 deadline! And pass on the information to other family, friends, businesses, and schools who would like to leave a message in stone at Community Preschool.

A 4" x 8" brick is \$85, or an 8" x 8" brick is \$150.

Click here to access the order form now.

Playground Project Progress (continued) *Fill a Need*

Here is a short, though perhaps incomplete needs list. We hope it can be shortened by your generosity. If you would like more info about anything on this list, please call Emily Weakland at 970-222-9480 or e-mail by clicking here.

<u>Materials</u>

- Substrate (mulch/pea gravel)
- Raised beds
- Soil
- Plants
- Small bridge
- Rock/gravel for dry bed
- Play equipment
- Structural fill/breeze

<u>Labor</u>

- Installation of benches
- Delivery/installation of raised beds
- Planting of beds
- Planting of grasses
- Rehab of west play area
- Grating/delivery of structural fill

Thank you for your support! Please contact Emily Weakland with any ideas or resources that might help our school attain a high-quality play area for our children to learn and grow on!



Thanks to You and Studio Vino

Thank you to Studio Vino for hosting such a wonderful event, and to you for attending. The result was beautiful paintings and \$930 to benefit our preschool!

School Pictures Survey

Thank you for submitting your feedback about this year's school pictures. The board will be discussing the results at the meeting on May 14. If you still want to give us your opinion or suggestions before then, please visit this link: surveymonkey.com/r/CMZ23JL.

Adopt a Snail

The snails in Mrs. Martinez's room are available for adoption at the end of the school year. Please see her if you're interested in giving them a new home!



Spring Artwork at Loveland Library

Artwork created by our students decorated the Loveland Library children's section during the month of April. Your flowers and bugs were so fun to see!



Registration for 2015-2016 Classes

We have openings in the following classes for next Fall:

- 2s Ms. Jodie's Friday (9:15-11:15 a.m.)
- 3s Ms. Jodie's Monday/Wednesday (9:00-11:30 a.m.)
- 3s Ms. Jodie's Tuesday/Thursday (9:00-11:30 a.m.)
- 4s Mrs. Martinez PM Monday/Tuesday/Thursday (12:45-3:15 p.m.)
- 4s Mrs. Miller's Pre-K Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday (9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.)

If you would like to register, please fill out a registration packet available here (tinyurl.com/CPSRegistrationPacket) and contact the class coordinator. Spread the word to your friends and family who might be looking for a great preschool as well!

Communication Over the Summer

Please watch your e-mail, our Facebook page, and CommunityPreschool.org for information over the summer. In late August, we will have our Fall Open House, and school will begin in September. All upcoming events are listed on the calendar on our website. If you have a change in your contact information, especially e-mail address, please let your class coordinator know to make sure you don't miss anything!

Website & Facebook

Please visit Community Preschool's website for the most up-to-date information about happenings:

communitypreschool.org

Like our page on Facebook to see news, updates, and events:

facebook.com/cpsloveland





Newsletter FYI

E-mails and websites listed throughout the newsletter are "clickable." Also, forms or resources mentioned as being available on our website can be clicked to open them directly. And click on any teacher or board member listed on the directory on Page 2 to create a new e-mail to that person.