

## Lighthouse Preschool News



Playing with playdough is much more than just playing. Several important skills are developed during this time.

- Children develop fine motor control and strengthen muscles in their hands and fingers which prepare them for writing.
- They learn how to use tools such as scissors, knives, and rolling pins
- They learn how to visually express themselves and create 3-D objects
- They learn how to make choices, share materials, and work cooperatively
- They learn how to compare/contrast and use vocabulary to talk about amounts such as "less than" and "more than."

The school year has come to a close, but we are gearing up for the coming year! Here are a few exciting things that have happened this year:

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-We have taught children about the world God made and His work in it. Those going to Kindergarten are ready and we know they will do wonderfully!

-The children went on several field trips which utilized the new van. It is great!

-At least 2 children who were not attending church at the beginning of the year are now attending weekly services at a church in town.

-We have reviews on Google Maps so that people can see what a quality program we have at a glance.

-We started a facebook page! If you are on facebook, please "Like" it.

-Having two teachers has been such a blessing! We are able to do much more than one person could do alone!

-We have had 2 meals for families and church members to allow for relationship building.

-We had our first ever silent auction that raised over \$1,000!

-We've gotten a handle on the budget and have made plans to help the preschool balance expenses/income.

-We are looking at ways for us to be able to allow more children to attend our preschool, such as offering transportation service and making changes to the facility to allow for slightly larger class sizes

-The children were a part of 2 service projects.

-This summer, we will be adding a couple of additions to our playground.

Truly the Lord has blessed us this year and we look forward to serving Him and His children this Fall. Thank you for all your support and prayers.