



## Hello Families!

Can you believe we had 2 feet of snow on the ground just 6 weeks ago?! The kiddos are really enjoying the beautiful weather, and Kidzland is ready to kick off our summer program!

During the summer months, our Plum and Apple Rooms will be going on weekly field trips, as well as enjoying a picnic in the park every Friday for lunch.

Our younger rooms will enjoy hunting for treasure in the sand boxes, having lots of sprinkler and water days, and going for neighborhood walks in our strollers.

We will also continue to do our monthly fire drills and add in severe weather drills as well.

Sun and heat safety are very important to us at Kidzland. Please be sure to send your child in weather appropriate clothing, and bring in a water bottle, sun screen, and a hat for outside play. We will continue to go outside daily, unless the temperature rises above 90 degrees, or the air quality is poor.

If you are planning any vacations of days off, please be sure to inform the office.



### Dates to Remember

06/15	Donuts for Dad
06/17	Father's Day

### Donuts for Dad!

We'd love to celebrate all of the awesome dads out there by treating you to an "on the go" breakfast of donuts on Friday June 15th. Be sure to grab one at drop off!



## Spotlight Staff

This month's spotlight shines on Ms. Sara N. Ms. Sara will be celebrating her 7<sup>th</sup> year at Kidzland this summer! Sara's dedication, reliability, and love for babies are a huge asset to the Kidzland Family. Thank you so much for all you do for our center Ms. Sara!

### Happy Birthday!

Aubrey P.	6/1	Caleb P.	6/20
Riley A.	6/5	Finnley	6/22
Ms. Hope	6/8	Ms. Lori	6/23
Cassie P.	6/12	Zeke C.	6/25
Ms. Dawn H.	6/12	Ms. Stacey	6/25
Emma Z.	6/18	Gloria S.	6/30
Awnya R.	6/20	Parker S.	6/30

## Watermelon Slush

Recipe from: <https://www.superhealthykids.com/3-ingredient-juicy-watermelon-slush/>

### INGREDIENTS:

- 4 cup - watermelon
- 1 fruit (2" dia) - lime
- 1/2 cup - coconut sugar

### DIRECTIONS:

1. Add the watermelon, lime juice, and coconut sugar to the jar of a blender and blend until smooth, about 1 minute.
2. Pour the liquid into a shallow freezer-safe dish, cover, and place level in the freezer.
3. After 1 hour remove the watermelon mixture from the fridge and use a fork to scrap any ice that has formed. Replace the lid and return to the freezer..
4. After an additional 2 hours remove the watermelon mixture from the fridge and use a fork to scrap any ice that has formed. The slush should be done or just about done now (depending on your freezer and how thick the mixture was in the container). Serve if everything is uniformly icy or return the freezer and scrape with a fork one final time before serving. You may need to let the mixture sit at room temperature for a few minutes before re-scraping and serving.



### Staff Changes

Summer is here, which means all our hardworking Float Staff is back from college! This summer we will be incorporating a "4 tens" schedule, where each teacher will work 4 ten-hour days, and get to have a day off during the week. We will be utilizing our excellent float staff to fill in on the days off, and it will be the same staff member each time to ensure continuity of care. We also have a change to our Kiwi and Orange Rooms. Ms. Renee will be taking over as the Lead Teacher in the Kiwi Room and will be working with Ms. Hope as her Assistant. Ms. Mai will be moving to the Orange Room and will work as a Co-Lead Teacher with Ms. Stacey.

## Baby Sign Language

Baby sign language is a great way to communicate with your baby or toddler! It helps them learn to communicate their wants and needs in a way that can be understood.



Daddy

**Signing:** To sign *daddy*, extend and spread out your five fingers on your strong hand. Tap your hand on your forehead. If it's done right you will look like a turkey. Another trick to help you remember is that male signs are always above the nose, and female signs are below the nose. So the sign for *daddy* is the same as the sign for *mommy*, just a little