

# **Preschool News**

Christ Lutheran Preschool

September 2017 Edition

Growing in God's Love

# From the Director...

Welcome to a new school year! We are so happy to have you all here as part of our CLP family!

#### Our staffing this year is as follows:

Director – Ms. Lisa Clinton

Room 1 – Ms. Christina Brown

Room 2 - Mrs. Sharyl Griffith & Ms. Mackenzie Norman

Room 3 – Mrs. Julie Skinner

Room 4 – Ms. Christina Laney

Room 5 – Ms. Rachyl Theriault

Room 6 - Ms. Stephanie McFarland

Floater – Ms. Barbara Scott

Staff pics and bios are posted on the bulletin board outside Room 2 for you to get to know us better. Feel free to introduce yourselves and please be patient with us as we get to know all of your names ©.

If you ever need anything or just want to say hi, please feel free to come to me. I am usually in between 9 and 9:30 and here until 6pm.

Looking forward to a great year! Lisa Clinton Director

#### Back to School Night

Monday, September 25th from 6:30-8:00pm is our Back to School Night. This event is for **parents only** as it is a time for *parents* to get to know about school and classroom practices and procedures and have time to mingle and ask any questions. We will meet in the sanctuary and I will briefly go over some school-wide information. You will then go to your child's classroom and the teacher will go over classroom information. We will have refreshments available in the courtyard. If you are able to donate goodies, there will be a sign-up sheet on a purple clipboard by the check in computers.

## **Parent's Corner** Be A PLaYful Parent Jump in Puddles Play pretend Have picnics in the living room CFT MFSSY Laugh at their jokes Have dance parties Re PLAY IN THE MUD Climb Trees **(Le** Create art together Read them that extra story **EXPLORE** Embrace this time Make it magical Make every moment count! T GeT BAck THeir Childhood BUT you Sure WILL miss IT! Growing A Jeweled Rose.com





#### Mark Your Calendar...

September 4 – Closed for Labor Day

September 5 – Fall Session Begins

September 25 – Back to School Night 6:30-8:00pm (parents only)

#### Happy Birthday!

Lea Armendariz Rm 4 ~ September 5 Ms. McFarland, Rm 6 – September 18 Dylan Whitesell, Rm 5 ~ September 19 Noah Gambardello Rm 2 ~ September 21 Ethan Veeh, Rm 4 ~ September 27 Eli Cerillo, Rm 2 ~ September 28



## September Scripture

God said, "I will bless you"
-Genesis 12:2



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### Staff Bios

Hi, my name is Lisa Clinton (Ms. Clinton). I am the Director here at CLP. My passion for working with young children has led me to achieve my California State Child Development Director's Permit and my Bachelor's Degree in Child Development and Family Studies from Cal State Long Beach. I have worked with infants through school age children in a variety of settings for the past 18 years and this is my 9th year as the Director at CLP. In my spare time, I enjoy participating in creative projects and spending time with my nephews and family. My favorite part of working with children is exploring science with them with activities like dry ice experiments.

Hi, my name is Christina Brown (Ms. Brown). I am currently the Room 1 teacher at CLP. My love for children led me to my education at Long Beach City College where I have obtained my Assistant & Administrative Teacher Certificates, my infant and toddler units, and am currently pursuing my degree in Early Childhood Education. In my personal time, I love to spend time with the Lord, hang out with family, eat good food, and travel. My favorite part about working with children is seeing all my hard work pay off when they are able to accomplish something I helped them achieve!

Hi, my name is Sharyl Griffith (Mrs. Griffith). I am one of the Room 2 teachers at CLP. I have been teaching preschool age children for the past 7 years. I have my California State Child Development Teacher Permit as well as a Associate Teacher permit. In my spare time, I enjoy spending time with my husband, Scott and our son, Jake going on bike rides and swimming in our pool. I also have a passion for music and love to sing. My favorite part of working with children is watching how much they grow and develop.

Hi, my name is Mackenzie Norman (Ms. Norman). I am one of the Room 2 teachers at CLP. I graduated from CSULB with my BA degree in Child Development and Family Studies. I have worked with children in afterschool programs as well as taught at the Child & Family Center at CSULB. In my spare time, I enjoy spending time with friends and family, being outdoors, rollerblading and reading. My favorite part of working with children is getting to know all of their different personalities.

Hi, my name is Julie Skinner (Mrs. Skinner). I am the Room 3 teacher at CLP. I have been teaching preschool for the past 15 plus years. I have my AS in Liberal Studies and over 30 units in Early Childhood Development. I am currently working towards getting my California State Permit for Master Teacher. My spare time is spent with my husband, Eric and our two girls, Samantha and Allison. When I get the chance, I love reading, knitting and trying out new recipes. My favorite part of teaching is sharing my love of reading and books with young children. I enjoy making those books come alive through art, songs and dramatic play.

Hello, my name is Christina Laney (Ms. Laney). I am the Room 4 Teacher here at CLP. My love of high-quality early childhood education drove me to achieve my Bachelor's Degree in Child Development and Family Studies from California State University Long Beach. I discovered my love for early childhood education over seven years ago when I started working at an after-school tutoring program for children ages 3-18 years old. I have been working closely with children and families ever since. In my spare time, I love going to the movies, traveling to new places, and spending quality time with my boyfriend, friends and family. My favorite part of working with children is watching how they develop into kind, considerate, and generous individuals through play-based activities that encourage each child to share and empathize with others' feelings.

Hello! My name is Rachyl Theriault (Ms. Theriault) I am the Room 5 teacher at CLP. I have been teaching preschool for over 10 years, working with infants through 5 year olds. I have achieved my AA in child development and I am in the process of getting my BA at University of La Verne. Teaching preschool is a passion for me. I love to watch the student's progress through out the school year and learn each one's different personality. When I am not teaching, I enjoy spending time with my family, especially my 3 year old daughter, Loralei and my 14 year old little sister, Leah.

Hi, my name is Stephanie McFarland (Ms. McFarland). I teach the infants & toddlers in Room 6 here at CLP. I have 26 units in Early Childhood Education and have worked with children in a variety of settings from home day care, to tutoring, to afterschool programs. In my spare time I enjoy being out in nature, hiking, and drawing. My favorite part of working with children is watching their language develop through reading and singing songs with them.

Hi, my name is Barbara Scott (Ms. Scott). I am the Floating teacher at CLP. I work with all of the children here, helping out as needed. I am a fully qualified preschool teacher. In my free time, I enjoy going to the beach, hiking, and spending time with friends and family. My favorite part of working with children is being amazed by how much they grow and learn.