

Little Bridges News



April 2025

Calendar of Events

Trike-A-Thon

Days/times vary

School Age & TK Tiger Spring Break

All Day Camp 4/7 – 4/11

Good Friday

Friday 4/18

Little Bridges closes at 1pm
No pick up for 1st – 5th grade

Spring Pictures

Monday 4/21

Tuesday 4/22

Spring Show

Thursday 4/24 7:00 pm

Teacher Appreciation Week

5/5 – 5/9

LB Zoo Day*

Friday 5/16

*Toddlers – Pandas Only

Memorial Day CLOSED

Monday 5/26

Canyon Creek Church

Good Friday Service

Friday 4/18 7 pm

Sunday Services

10:00 am

Early Closure for Good Friday, April 18th

Little Bridges will be closing at 1:00pm on Friday, April 18th in observance of Good Friday. All children will need to be picked up before 1:00 pm.

All 1st through 5th grade families – please take note! There will be no school pick up service on the 18th. TK/Kinder transportation will run as usual, but all classes will end at 1:00pm..

Our teachers appreciate having the afternoon to reflect, pray and be with family. Please consider joining Canyon Creek Church for their Good Friday Service at 7:00 pm.

Spring Pictures: April 21st and 22nd

Picture Day is coming soon! Student portraits and TK Grad pictures will be taken by APVisions on Monday, April 21st and Tuesday, April 22nd. We are proud to have this local company come again to take individual and class photos of our students. Teachers will be sending out specific days and times for your class soon.

Spring Show: Thursday, April 24th

This year's Spring Show is titled "Under Construction". Come see the most adorable construction workers tell us a story about building a life with Christ as our cornerstone.

The show will start promptly at 7pm with doors opening at 6:30pm.

St. Jude's Hospital Trike-A-Thon

We will be hosting a St. Jude Children's Hospital Trike-A-Thon the first two weeks of April. Our preschoolers will have the opportunity to ride a trike around our playground to help raise money for others in need. St. Jude's is the only National Cancer Institute devoted solely to children. Your contributions will help make it possible for patients to receive treatment regardless of a family's ability to pay.

LB Takes Over The Oakland Zoo - May 16th

SAVE THE DATE! Little Bridges (Frogs, Ducks, Giraffes, Jaguars, Koalas and Pandas) will be taking over the Oakland Zoo on Friday, May 16th. Our May school theme is Dinos to Dolphins and each class will be learning all about animals. What a better way to teach than to see real animals in person!

Look for details from class Friday Emails as the time gets closer. Every child will need to have an adult accompany them, so please plan now to attend this super fun day!

Thoughts from Ms. Jacque...(from the archives)

It Gets Easier

My nearly man-sized child is sitting with me in the pediatrician's office awaiting his 16 year old physical. I look around at the harried new moms with the tiny babies strapped into car seats, the screaming toddlers jumping off of the wee chairs and the waiting room strewn with toys. Soon I won't be bringing my son here anymore. Soon I won't even be responsible for bringing him anywhere.

He is almost fully grown.

I see the other mothers look over at us, my son with the headphones on, texting his friends, and me flipping through a really outdated magazine, the only one not parenting related, and I know that they are thinking that it gets easier.

And it does.

But it doesn't.

To them my child seems impossibly large and grown. They cannot imagine their baby ever being this size. They don't yet know how fast it happens.

When your children are small they cling to you. Their arms wrap around your neck and squeeze. Their sweaty little fists grab your hair. They demand your attention— one more story, one more song, one more bounce upon your knee.

What no one tells you while you are longing for some space, some boundary that defines the space between them and you, is that one day they will want more space from you than you want from them. The roles will reverse. You will be the needy one in the relationship, wanting more time, more talking, more interaction with them.

Tell me about your day at school.

What did you do with your friends?

Want to sing the Barney clean-up song while we tackle that hovel you call a bedroom?

Hey, where are you going?

You'll miss the days when they want to tell you everything that happened at Little Bridges - everything that went on in painstakingly minute detail that took as long to relate as it did to live it.

She said... and then he said... and then she said...and then my teacher did...

You want to know more. But it is their life and they dole out the information sparingly. You will savor these small extracted nuggets. Your children will have a life that exists mostly apart from you. Sometimes you will feel as though they are pushing you away with the same desperation you used to feel when prying their toddler arms from around your leg.

And one day you find yourself sitting less than a foot away from your child, wanting to reach out and rub his hair, but you don't. That would not be cool, Mom. You find that you are still navigating the boundaries that separate you.

Instead you text him. And he will laugh and text you back.

It's easier, yes.

But bittersweet.