

HILLIARD UNITED METHODIST PRESCHOOL

PRESCHOOL PRESS

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Happy Anniversary Mrs. Rice *30 Years of Excellence*



Mrs. Rice has been a favorite among our staff for many, many years. Her experience and dedication are such a blessing to her students and our staff members. We honored to call her our friend. We wish her God's blessings and hope that she will continue with us for many years to come.



Dear Parents,

We want to thank you so much for trusting us with your children through another year of the pandemic. Our goal was to give them the most normal preschool experience while keeping them safe and healthy. As we were able to move towards a more "normal" year, we could feel the sigh of relief when we were able to keep the classes in session without the fear of another quarantine. We also want to thank you for your patience as we navigated through this year. We are very grateful for each of you and feel blessed to have you as part of the HUMC Preschool family. Have a safe and fun summer.

Sincerely,
The Preschool Staff

Happy Mother's Day

We want to wish all of our amazing moms a happy Mother's Day. One of our favorite books to read to the children during this week is "Love You Forever" by Robert Munsch. "A mother held her new baby and very slowly rocked him back and forth, back and forth, back and forth. And while she held him she sang, I'll love you forever, I'll like you for always, as long as I'm living my baby you'll be." How true for all mothers. We wish you the best of love on your special day. God bless you and your family.





Hilliard Crossing Elementary school will have a daisy troop opening to girls entering kindergarten. This troop is open to anyone from Hilliard who may be interested. Please contact me, Britani Kyser, with any questions. My email is bkysr11@gmail.com.

MAY THEMES

Zoo Animals
Opposite Day
Mother's Are Like That
The Very Quiet Cricket
by Eric Carle
Alphabet Round Up
Community Helpers
Our Favorite Things
Friends, Friends, Friends
Summer Fun & Safety

Letters Zz and Qq



Last Day of Classes
May 19 & May 20

Farewell Parade

We cannot believe that it is almost time to say good-bye for the year. We are planning a Farewell Parade on your child's last day of school. The parades will begin at 11:10 and 2:40 respectively and will be on the playground rain or shine! We hope that you will be able to come. The children are planning a special surprise at dismissal as well. Dismissal will be at your usual door. You may want to bring tissues.



StayCation Ideas

Homestead Metro Park has a fantastic playground and a train to climb on.

Farmer's Markets are always an adventure with so many cool things to look at. Explore the fresh veggies and talk about whether they grow above the ground or below. Hilliard United Methodist Church has a farmer's market starting May 24. It is every Tuesday from 4 to 7, You are welcome to use our playground during this time as well.

Celebration at the Station located at Hilliard's Station Park. Starting June 2, they will have free concerts from 6 to 9 every Thursday, starting June 2.

Columbus Museum of Art is free on Sundays from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Don't miss the Center of Creativity and the Wonder Room, which are just for kids.

Get the Scoop on July 27 from 12:00 to 2:00. Hilliard Station Park is providing free ice cream, family games, and more.

Quarry Trails Metro Park features an amazing waterfall park off of Old Dublin Road and the waterfall overlook is just steps away from the parking lot.

Franklin Park Conservatory on the first Sunday of each month, hosts a Community Day for Franklin County residents. Admission is free, but you have to register for your tickets in advance.

Ohio Statehouse offers free self-guided tours. The Ohio State Museum on the ground floor is supposed to be interesting and educational.

Summer Reading Club at all of the Columbus Libraries is a fun way to keep reading during those summer months.

Inniswood Metro Gardens has beautiful gardens and the kids love the tree house!

Invitations from Children's Ministry
Lindsay Robinson
Director of Children's Ministry

If you are looking for a new church home and have ever wondered about Hilliard UMC's family ministries, we would like to invite you to join us on May 15th for our outdoor service at 10am! During this time together, our Children's and Youth Ministries will be sharing the journey their kids have been on this year, as well as how they seek to help families build foundations of faith, inclusion, and service to others. You are welcome to bring chairs to enjoy the service outside with others or if your family feels more comfortable, you will also be able to worship from inside of your vehicle. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact HUMC's Director of Children's Ministries, Lindsay Robinson, at lrobinson@hilliardumc.org or the main office at

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We are excited to announce that after two years of hosting a virtual Vacation Bible School (VBS), this summer we will be back in person! Children ages 4 through entering 6th Grade, are invited to join us July 11-15th from 9am - Noon for Rocky Railway VBS! During Rocky Railway your child will get to build friendships while learning about God's love for them through daily Bible stories, activities, games, and music! You can find additional information and registration information at <https://hilliardumc.org/vacation-bible-school-vbs/>

