



# Apple Ridge Academy

## Summer, 2010

### Preschool News ~ We're Still Growing!!

Our preschool group continues to grow in so many ways! We welcome several new friends to our group: Amelia, Jillian, Abrianna, Rui, Adam, Skyler and Mackenzie, Makena, and Ella have all joined us since May! We will soon have Evan, Ava, Brady and Connor, also!

During the month of June, we have continued to watch our garden grow and flourish! Recently we sampled peas, lettuce, and finally a ripe cherry tomato (-and more to come!). We just spied some tiny beans, so we'll be munching on them next week. Also, we are compiling a Garden Journal, which will be available for the children to bring home and share with their family later in the summer. Our garden has been such a great learning experience! Early June brought us our **5 Senses** and in late June we celebrated the **First Day of Summer** with an entire week of summer and beach fun!

Currently we are learning about **ocean life**, and coming up in July, we will have fun with **rocks, volcanoes, earthquakes, and dinosaurs!**

Please be sure to check out the window outside our classroom door each day for updates and notes. We are having a wonderful, sunny summer with the Preschoolers, and we hope you are all enjoying some fun, relaxation, and great family time!

~ Ms. Traci & Ms. Mara



### School-Age Program

Hello Summer Program parents! We are super-excited to have your child join us this summer! This June, we focused mainly on making new friends. We went on a field trip to the Recycling Center and spent time at Frame Park. The friends have been given opportunities to communicate, play and make friends with one another. Next month, we will be going on even more exciting field trips, reading and writing about our experiences, expressing our creativity through works of art, and of course, play, play, play!! ~Ms. Kristin & Ms. Gena

### June, July & August Birthdays

- ☺ **Neveah K**—5 on 6/13
- ☺ **Abrianna D.**—5 on 6/15
- ☺ **Sam G**—2 on 6/15
- ☺ **Isabella B.**—2 on 6/19
- ☺ **Braden B.**—2 on 7/2
- ☺ **Amelia O.**—4 on 7/3
- ☺ **Mackenzie W.**— 10 on 7/4
- ☺ **Ms. Tammy**— 7/18
- ☺ **Will W. & Charlie W.**—1 on 7/28
- ☺ **Aidan R.**—4 on 8/27
- ☺ **Nathan F.**— 3 on 8/30

We are sad to say that Ms. Gena will be leaving us as of Friday, July 16. She has accepted a Kindergarten teaching position and will be moving to the Green Bay area. We will miss her, and wish her all the best of luck in her new adventure!



## News From the Twos ~



This summer in the Twos room, we have been staying cool with outdoor sponge tag, water balloon catch, painting with water, and ice blocks.

We're enjoying getting to know Bella, Tessa who are new to Apple Ridge Academy, and Sam and Lilli, who have moved into our classroom from the Toddler room. Welcome, Bella, Tessa, Lilli and Sam! Henry will be joining us in August, and Jillian in September!

We are learning about weather, our bodies, the ocean and beach, transportation, and dinosaurs. We're also learning lots of new songs, as well as lots of ways to move our bodies!

~ Ms. Dori



## "Toddler Time" ~ This month in the Toddler Room

First, we'd like to welcome our new Assistant Teacher, **Meg** to our room! Meg just recently graduated from Muskego High School, and will be attending college in the fall, majoring in education. The children are enjoying Ms. Meg's smiling face almost as much as she's enjoying all of **theirs**!

A few new faces have arrived in the past month : We welcomed Alex and Blake to our class—and on July 1 Amelia joined us. Dominic, Will & Charlie will join us in August, also. Welcome friends!!

In June, Carter and Cameron started taking steps on their own... Yay! - Now they can keep up with their "racing friends" on the playground.

Stay tuned for a lot of fun summer activities!

Ms. Christi & Ms. Meg



## "Baby Talk" ~ notes from the Infant Room



**Happy Summer** from the little "fireballs" in the infant room!

It has been a fun summer, filled with growing babies. Tyler is sitting alone and is starting to roll around on the floor. Tyler also enjoys the jumperoo and playing "So Big". When we play on the floor, I love hearing Tyler laugh when I tickle his side & armpit. He is also teething and we should start seeing some teeth soon!

Madelyn is starting to get on her hands and knees and will be crawling very soon! Madelyn also learned "So Big", "Pat-a-Cake" and "High 5". She just cut her two bottom teeth... Now she can eat steak! (haha!) Just kidding - maybe corn on the cob.

We welcomed Olivia to our classroom in July, and Kayla will join us in August! Have a safe and wonderful summer and we will chat in the fall.

~ Ms. Tracy

