

Greetings to our 2023 summer buddies...

It's almost summertime! We are excited for the 2023 Summer program! Each of our 8 week summer sessions will be filled with activities to transform the lazy days of summer into the learning days of summer! Each session will provide the chance for your little ones to experience theme related vocabulary words and facts, music, science, pretend play, creative art experiences, counting, colors and shapes, sounds, letter recognition, small group experiences, large group experiences, meet old and new friends, experience on-site field trips, and most importantly, to have fun!

All the activities in our summer sessions are carefully planned to be developmentally appropriate and are the building blocks your child needs in giving them a head start to their next level of development.

**The themes for our 2023 summer program are:**

**Week One (May 30-June 2) "Dinosaurs"** Head back to a time long ago and rumble with the dinosaurs! For Kids Who Really Love Dinosaurs, we will travel to the Triassic, Jurassic, and Cretaceous Periods to dig up dazzling dinosaurs, learn facts about fossils, practice your paleontology, and go on a journey of dinosaur discovery.

**Week Two (June 5-9) "Holidays"** What's your favorite Holiday! It matters not! Come all ye faithful because we've got all the big ones wrapped into one fantastic week. Celebrate them all-Valentines Day, Easter, Halloween, Thanksgiving, and, of course, Christmas, with age-appropriate guided activities that are sure to bring smiles and feelings of friendship, renewal, suspense, gratitude, and charity (but in a fun way), of course!

**Week Three (June 12-16) "Around the World in 80 Days"** Come join us for a journey around the world. The children will experience different countries and their unique customs, crafts, foods, and music too! So all aboard as we journey to the ends of the world.

**Week Four (June 19-23) "Disney Days"** The Happiest Place on Earth is here at St. John's. Summer buddies will discover a world of fairies, princesses, pirates, imaginary lands, and magical creatures. Join as we fly to infinity and beyond.

**Week Five (June 26-30) "Mad Science"** Join the science lab as we go insane for everything science. We will don our lab coats and protective eye gear as we explore and experiment with chemistry, electricity, color science, physics, biology, forces and motion. So come and experience bubbling liquids and the occasional explosion as we venture into the world of science.

**Week Six (July 3-7) "Party in the USA"** Flags are flying High and fireworks light up the sky, as we spend the week celebrating our great country. We will have special visits from our fire department and at the end of the week we will have a grand cook out. Join us as we celebrate the RED, WHITE and BLUE!!

**Week Seven (July 10-14) "Where the Wild Things Are"** Tigers, lions, and jungle animals of all sorts! Come join us for fun and educational lessons as we take a trip into the dense jungle. We will encounter some animals from the jungle as they make a special visit to the Children's Center and play in the mud just like Tarzan!

**Week Eight (July 17-21) VBS**