**Tuition Request for 2023-2024**
Returning families: Your tuition letter will go home with your child in their file folder mid-May. Please reuse this envelope to return your paperwork. This envelope contains instructions and details regarding tuition for 2023-2024. Please fill out the paperwork and return with your First & Last month tuition to ITBP **by June 9.** Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions. ♥

**Openings for Fall 2023**
We have openings for 2023-2024 school year! Please share with friends and neighbors and have them contact us for a tour. The tour incentive is live so don't forget to have them put your named down when they tour! Your recommendation means the world to us. ♥

**Be a PAT Member**
Preschool Advisory Team (PAT) is seeking 2 moms or dads to join our team. Self-Nomination forms will be on our website at www.inthebeginning.org. Please consider joining this valuable committee. This team consists of teachers, parents, and church members to help support our school and meets only 5 times a year. ♥

**ITBP Teacher Appreciation Days are June 5 & 6**
A message from your PAT Advisory Team: It's time to start thinking about celebrating our teachers for their never ending love and support for your children! Let's not forget our amazing Specialists: SSS Teacher Katie, our JJJ Teacher Nicole, Chapel Time Teacher, Pastor Ric and Art from the Heart Teacher Denise. Our Parent PAT Reps will be contacting you very soon with details. PAT reps are: Meghna Dube at ojha.meghna@gmail.com and Christina Kerstetter-Fischer at ckerstetter.fischer@gmail.com. ♥

**Scholastic Books Last Call & Book Donation & Swap**
Keep your kids engaged and learning during the summer. These orders are an easy way to own reading level appropriate books for your children. Additionally, when you order using our school code, you are also supporting the preschool with FREE Books and Classroom Resources! **Orders need to be placed online by Friday, May 19.**

Our **annual Book Donation & Swap** will be on June 5 & 6. Left over books are donated to the **Shine Bright Foundation** which supports literacy in our local community each July. Please bring in your donations on June 1 and 2. All books are welcome. ♥

**UPDATE: Free Libraries**
Eagle Scout, Will Gannon, has a few finishing touches to take care of on them before they are ready to be filled. The tentative dates are the week of May 22 or 30. During our annual book donation and swap we would like to invite you to bring in adult and youth books for the free library. Thank you. **Stay tuned for the grand opening of Faith Church's Free Libraries! ♥**

**Summer Pop-Up Playdates**
Come join your future classmates and old preschool friends up on the playground for fun and community! The playground will be open from 10-11:30 am on Tuesdays, July 25, and August 1 & 8. Restrooms in the Talbert building –through the church office. ♥

Bring water, a snack and a desire just have fun! Please, check the website to for any changes. To these dates and times. Don't forget to invite a friend to come play. ♥

**VBS Coming August 14-18**
Please visit www. FaithChurch.org to register. Ages 3+. Click on the 'Connect' button. **Register today! ♥**

**Thank you VOLUNTEERs—**ITBP has made a donation in your names to St. Jude's Research Childrens Hospital. Many blessings to our amazing PLGs, Scholastic Book Club Committee, AFTH volunteers and classroom volunteers who ♥

**Art Walk—Save the DATES— Our amazing Art Walk will be held May 22-23**
You will be able to view the incredible masterpieces from 9:45—10 AM and again from 1:00—1:45 pm. For those parents who can come in the afternoon, please pick-up your child *first* and then visit the Art Walk. It is held in the lobby of the Sanctuary building.

You have the opportunity to purchase your child's art with a small donation (benefits AFTH) the donation jars set-up around the Art Walk. Your child loves to see a 'SOLD' sign on their art as they are so proud of what they created for you!

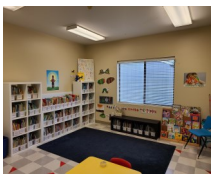
Another tradition that we offer during the Art Walk is a silent auction to raise money for our Scholarship Fund. **We are auctioning off our prestigious Parking Lot Royalty (PLR) parking spots!** Who wouldn't want to be a ***Prince*** or ***Princess*** for a year? Your parking spot will be reserved just for you each school day from October—June. And for all of our Dad's out there...why not a belated Mother's Day gift, perhaps?

***A Note from Teacher Denise:***
For all of the Parent volunteers that have helped during the lessons, thank you so much! Here's a picture from our 2022 Artwalk

**Update on our Fundraising Efforts:**

- **GotSneakers:** 824 shoes collected with final amount raised TBA in May. These funds will benefit our Scholarship Fund.
- **Bouncy for Bunnies:** 935 hops and raised $2,137 for JJJ and the Shine Bright Foundation.
- **Car Wash Ticket Pre-Sales:** as of 4/27: $960. Funds will support the Preschool's new library. Deadline is Friday, May 5.
- **Art Walk Donations & Parking Lot Royalty Spot Silent Auction:** Art Walk donations support Art from the Heart program and the PLR winners support our scholarship fund. Your support enables the preschool to be able to continue to offer our specialist programs and help those in our community with tuition assistance.

**HUGE Thank You to ITBP & Faith Church for your heartfelt generosity of these fundraisers!**



***PLEASE NOTE:***
Check the website regularly for updates and important information throughout the summer at:

**www.inthebeginningpreschool.org**

# Calendar

## May 2023

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| 5/2 | May Friendship Hour starts<br>No AM PLG Service |
| 5/5 | Deadline for Car Wash Ticket Sales |
| 5/8 –12 | No PLG Service this week. |
| 5/8 | Hippo Mother's Day Celebration |
| 5/9 | Bunny Mother's Day Celebration |
| 5/11 | Tiger Mother's Day Celebration |
| 5/12 | Lion Mother's Day Celebration |
| 5/14 | **Happy Mother's Day!** |
| 5/19 | Scholastic Online Orders Due |
| 5/22—23 | Art From the Heart Artwalk (1–1:45 pm) |
| | No PLG Service on 5/22 at the pm shift |
| | No PLG Service on 5/23 both shifts |
| 5/25 | PreK Tour at 9:45 am |
| 5/29 | **No School**—**Memorial Day** |

## June 2023

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| 6/1 | Last PLG Shifts<br>Last Friendship Hour for 2023-2024 |
| 6/5-6 | Book Swap |
| 6/9 | Pre-K Graduation @ 10 am |
| 6/9 | First & Last Tuition/Forms Due |
| 6/9 | Last Day of Preschool—Enjoy your summer! |
| 6/18 | Happy Father's Day! |

## July and August 2023

✹Happy Summer!✹

Look to our website for Pop-Up Playdate time/days on the Playground in August

## September 2023

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| 9/6 | Meet and Greet 10—11:30 am |
| 9/7 | First Day of Preschool |

### A Prayer for Parents

*God of all life, We thank You for the gift of the children You have entrusted to our care.*

*Guide us to help them grow into compassionate and responsible adults, strong in their faith and confident in the goodness and abilities You have given them.*

*Grant that they may be ever aware of Your presence in their lives and Your unconditional love for them.*

*Fill them with your choicest blessings. Enrich their souls with Your grace. Inspire them with Your wisdom. Lead them to grow in virtue each day, so that we may be always united with You and with each other, in this life and in the next.*

*Amen.*

Wishing all of you a Blessed Mother's & Father's Day filled with love, laughter and God's Hope. Thank you for your support and sharing your children with us!