

SUGGESTED ACTIVITIES FOR PRESCHOOL FAMILIES

- WEEK 7: Beginning May 3 -

Our DPM staff hopes you will try one or more of these suggested activities to create family fun and point your child to our Great, Big, God!



- FRESH AIR: Family Picnic -

Grab a blanket and meal and enjoy a picnic in your backyard or another outdoor spot. Use the experience and a time to practice good manners (saying please and thank you, sharing with others, speaking kindly, etc.)

Remind children of this Bible verse,

“Do to others as you would have them do to you.” Luke 6:31

- MISSIONS: KidLife Invitation -

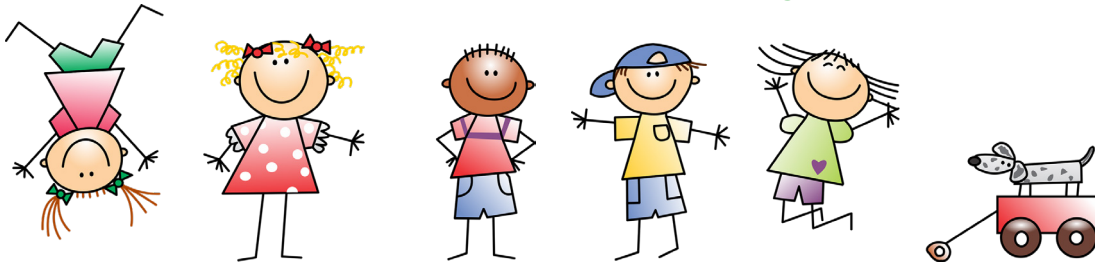
Online registration is now open for DAWSON KIDLIFE 2020, “CELEBRATE REWIND” (which will be accessible to families through an app June 1-5).

- Post a picture on social media of your child or family from a previous year of Dawson KidLife and include the registration link to invite friends and neighbors to join us for our version of VBS!

If you do not use social media, consider texting a picture and invitation to friends.



- GAME TIME: Mother May I -



This is a simple action game good for reinforcing good manners.

- Participants stand next to one another in a line.
- One person is chosen as the “mother” and stands facing away from them.
- The mother calls out a direction, step type, and number of steps to a specific player.
- **EXAMPLES:** George, take 6 baby steps; Beth, take 3 frog leaps, Jake, take 4 ballerina steps, etc.
 - The named player then responds with “Mother may I?”
 - The mother responds “Yes, you may,” and the child obeys and takes the steps.
- If the child forgets to ask “Mother may I?” then he/she goes back to the beginning of the line.
 - The first one to touch the Mother wins and becomes the new Mother.



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- IN THE KITCHEN: MUFFINS with Mom -

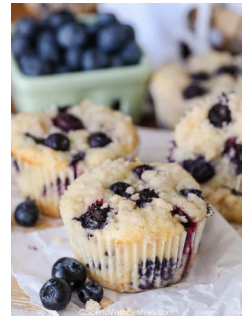
In honor of Mother's Day, follow this simple muffin recipe, adding the mix-ins of your choice: berries, chocolate chips, etc. to share muffins with mom. Say: Mom, I love you and I'm glad God chose you to be my mom (grandmother, aunt, neighbor, friend, etc.).

• • • INGREDIENTS • • •

- 2 cups (260 g) all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup (100 g) granulated sugar
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 cup (180 ml) milk, room temperature
- 1/2 cup (114 g) unsalted butter, melted & cooled
 - 2 large eggs, room temperature
 - 2 tablespoons coarse sugar, optional
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
 - 3/4- 1 cup mix-in of your choice (chocolate chips, berries, etc.)

• • • DIRECTIONS • • •

- MIX dry ingredients.
- MIX wet ingredients.
- COMBINE dry and wet ingredients (it will be lumpy).
 - ADD mix-ins: chocolate chips, berries, etc.
- ADD an even amount of batter to 12 greased muffin cups.
 - BAKE at 350 degrees for 20-25 minutes.
- See full recipe and additional variations at www.bakedbyanintrovert.com

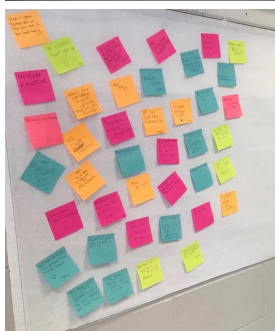


- ART PROJECT: Mother's Day Gifts -

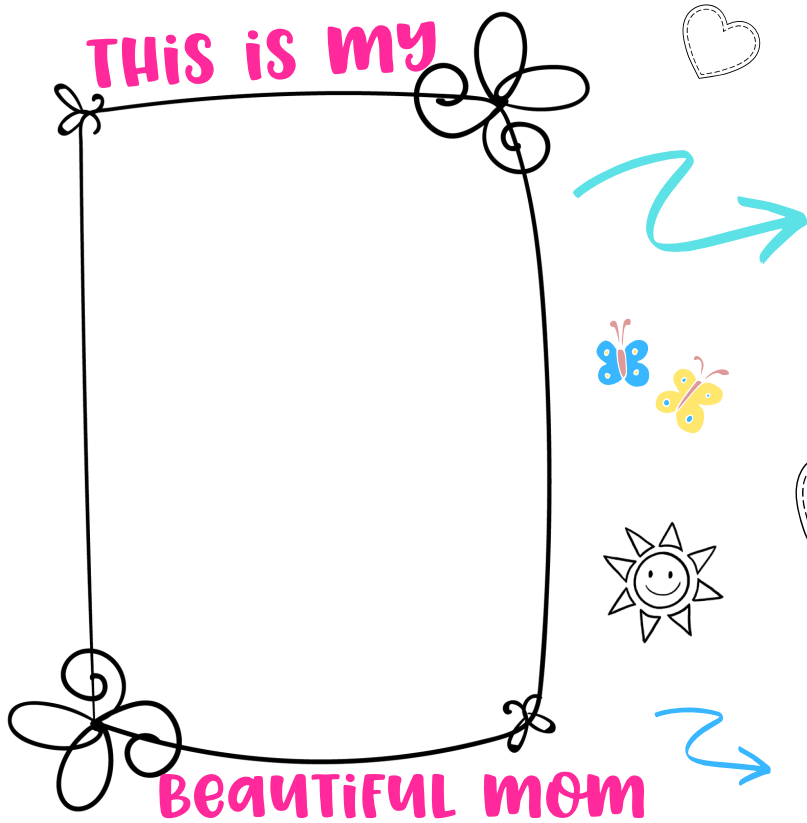


Surprise and celebrate mom by making homemade cards and gifts she will treasure. Check out one or more of the printable activities that can be found on the DPM website or newsletter email.

- **HANDPRINT BOUQUET CRAFT:** Make handprints (paint and press hands, trace hands, trace on colored paper and cut out) of family members and add to a piece of paper or canvas. Add stems (paint, markers, or paper strips) and a ribbon. Write Happy Mother's Day and include the year.
- **ALL ABOUT MY MOM:** Download the printable and have an adult help each child fill it in for mom.
- **POST-IT "NOTES":** Family members write word of encouragement (I love you, You're a great cook, Thanks for loving me, etc.) or draw (smiley faces, hearts, scribbles) on post-it notes and stick them to a door or wall so mom will see them.
- **SONG FOR MOM:** Sing to the tune of "If You're Happy and You Know It"
If you love your mom and you know it...
Blow a Kiss • Give a Hug • Give High Fives • Do all Three



ALL ABOUT MY MOM



HER NAME IS

HER FAVORITE FOOD IS

HER FAVORITE COLOR IS

HER FAVORITE THING TO DO IS

MY FAVORITE THING TO DO WITH MY MOM

She is
Years Old

SHE IS THE BEST BECAUSE:

I  MY MOM

