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WESLEY SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Upcoming Events

March 24th - Children will be singing during service. (Please have your child practice the song at home.)

March 30th- Children's Easter Egg Hunt at 10 am.

July 29 - August 2

Is our Vacation Bible School week!
Children ages 5-12 yrs old may join us
530 pm - 730 pm each night. More
information to follow shortly.



Register with Rhianna at education@wesleyworc.org

Volunteers are needed!

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Did you know ...

That the children enjoy taking their shoes off upstairs for our gross motor games? *It calms them*.

That the boys like sitting together at the end of our long table? *They don't socialize as much if not this way.*

That the girls raise their hands the most to read from the bible? *All of them are quiet as can be readers.*

That our giant bulletin board in the upstairs hallway is ready for new artwork to be placed on it, again? *Come see the old one before we take it down*.

That the toddlers/preschoolers like dancing when they hear the school age children singing and laughing together? Seriously, they are so happy to be upstairs with the big kids.

These are just a few of the things I've observed being upstairs with the children since October. I purposely took the time and calmly just listened and watched them. I learned about their abilities, their likes, their dislikes, their tolerances for activities given with each bible lesson. I also give them true honest answers when they ask questions about me, and my thoughts.

I do this with every child so that I can have a better sense of what makes them feel excited to learn. It's a small way to show them I'm here, I'm not going anywhere, and that their ideas, wants, and needs are just as important as mine. Empathic Listening is one of the most powerful tools we have as adults for building trust with our children.

- Rhianna