

Welcome to the Pure Gems Classroom!

Your baby is getting bigger!!! We are very excited to be a part of your child's next step of learning and growing. Here are some of the fun & exciting things we will be up to....

Please be sure to check out our Bulletin Board located outside the room. We post a NEW lesson plan every week and a NEW emergent curriculum sheet everyday! The Emergent Curriculum will tell you what your child is up to everyday; what we ate, art projects, and activities. The Lesson Plan gives you an overview of what we will be doing and talking about for the week.

We will also be introducing "Story time" where the teachers read books and sing songs with the children in a group setting.

For mealtimes we will sit in little chairs around the table for scheduled snacks & lunch. For these mealtimes we will give each child their own sippy cup to use. At lunchtime we will be introducing spoons to use instead of eating with our hands. We will also practice saying, "More" & "Please" along with sign language to go with these. We also sing a little prayer before eating. So if you begin to notice your child with his/her hands in the air singing "Praise God" or clasping them together to say "Amen", that is what they are doing ☺.

As your child turns one, they are added to the snack list. Please bring a healthy snack to share. (See attached: Nutritious Snack Ideas) Be sure to check ingredient labels. Sugar cannot be the first ingredient!

As your child gets older, he/she will be transitioning to one nap a day if they have not done so already. We will follow the child's need for sleep; if they are tired we will be sure to lay them down. Please remember to label sleeping bags and a pillowcase to keep it in. All sleeping bags will be sent home on Fridays to be washed.

These are just a couple of the new & fun things your child will be learning as they get older. If you ever have any questions, comments or concerns please feel free to talk to either Kimmy or Karen. We are looking forward to getting to know your child better and having lots of fun!

Meet the Teachers

Karen Meyer

I started working at Camelot in June of 2008. I have an Associate Degree in Early Childhood from Moraine Park Technical College and many hours of continuing education yearly.

“I believe that as a teacher I need to look at the whole child, including their beliefs and culture. I believe that every child is unique and special in their own way. I also believe that we should teach children in a loving, safe and caring environment where they can grow and thrive.”

In my spare time I enjoy reading, listening to music, going to musicals at the Fox Cities PAC and going to the family cottage in Wild Rose, WI.

Kimmy Golla

I started working at Camelot in September of 1994. I have an Associate Degree in Accounting and many classes in Early Childhood from Moraine Park Technical College and many hours of continuing education yearly.

“I believe that it is my journey in life to provide children with a safe and fun learning environment. Watching them grow and experience life is a rewarding gift that makes me smile.”

I am a married, mother of three— all boys! In my spare time I enjoy reading, am an avid hockey and baseball mom, camping at the family cottage and spending time with family and friends.