







### DAY CAMP & 2.0 FUN!

We've been having an incredible summer at our day camp for school-age children! From exciting outdoor adventures to creative indoor activities, the fun never stops.

The STEAM and cooking projects have unleashed their creativity, resulting in beautiful and imaginative projects and delicious treats. We've also enjoyed some fantastic 2.0 FUN days, where campers got to have foam parties, black light parties, movie day and more. The laughter, joy, and friendships blossoming here are truly heartwarming.

Stay tuned for more updates and highlights as we continue to make this a memorable summer for all our campers!



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If you are interested in enrolling or touring to get on our fall enrollment list, please <u>click here</u> to fill out our inquiry form and we will reach out to you soon!

We can't wait for another great year of learning and growing!



### GSRP Enrollment

#### SEE IF YOU QUALIFY FOR FREE PRE-K

We have limited space available in our classrooms! GSRP is FREE Pre-K for children who are 4 years old by December 1st. We have been proud partners with the state of Michigan's GSRP program for many years now. We offer GSRP at our Livonia-North & Livonia-South locations.

We love that the GSRP program follows the exact same Highscope Curriculum that we teach in our Pre-K classrooms. Our GSRP classrooms also include our top-notch menu with fresh, organic snacks and meals.

If you are interested in learning more or to see if you qualify for FREE Pre-K, please email our Enrollment Specialist at Kim.Avendt@learningtreechildcare.com









# Recipe to Try at Home!



#### INGREDIENTS:

- 2 cans (14 oz ea) lentils, drained and rinsed (or one cup of cooked red lentils
- 6 large eggs (or chia eggs)
- 2 large over-ripe banana (or two small)
- 1/2 cup maple syrup
- 2/3 cup unsweetened cocoa powder
- 2 tsp baking soda
- 6 tbsp coconut oil, melted
- 2 tsp vanilla extract
- 2/3 cup dark chocolate chips

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

- Preheat oven to 350° F.
- Prepare 2-12 muffin cups by lining with muffin papers
- Place banana(s), lentils, eggs, honey, cocoa powder, baking soda, coconut oil, and vanilla extract into blender or food processor; cover. Blend until smooth. Add the
- chocolate chips and stir gently using a wooden spoon.
- Fill muffin cups about 2/3 full
- Bake for 20-25 minutes or until a toothpick comes out clean.
- Cool completely and enjoy

### Nutrition Tip From Sarah Remmer!

Are you tired of the mealtime battles with your picky eater? You're not alone. Dietitian Sarah here, and in my latest blog post, we delve into the crucial reasons why it's time to ditch the "picky eater" label.

As parents, it's natural to resort to negotiation tactics and micro-management at meals (trust me, I've been there, too!), but did you know that labeling your child as a picky eater can actually worsen the situation? Labelling can shape their self-image and perpetuate picky behavior

So what can you do and say instead? In this blog post, I share my journey with picky eating and offer invaluable insights into fostering a positive eating environment for your little eaters.

Ready to learn more? Dive into the full blog post <u>here</u> and start transforming mealtime stress into positive eating experiences for your family!



# Tips to Involve your Children in Gardening

The garden provides young people with the valuable opportunity to learn through direct observation, exploration, and experimentation. We optimize the learning power of the garden when our lesson plans and activities support students in exploring and experiencing the garden classroom through their direct experiences.

Here at The Learning Tree we LOVE our gardens and creating lesson plans to get the children involved and exploring in the gardens. We wanted to share with you three tips on how to get your children involved in the garden with you at home!

- Make it hands on
- Engage the senses
- Cultivate a sense of place

To learn more about how to involve your children in the garden, check out our blog <u>here</u>.

## Father's Day!

#### WE HAD SO MUCH FUN CELEBRATING!

We had an amazing time celebrating "Coolest Dad Ever" at The Learning Tree! To honor all the wonderful fathers and father figures, we hosted a special event filled with fun handmade gifts and delicious popsicles. The kids loved making their gifts dedicated to their dads, expressing their love and appreciation in the most creative ways.

The highlight of the day was definitely enjoying the refreshing popsicles together. It was a sweet treat that brought smiles to everyone's faces, creating a delightful and memorable experience. Watching the children bond with their dads while savoring these icy delights was truly heartwarming.

Thank you to all the dads who joined us and made this day so special. We look forward to more wonderful celebrations and creating cherished memories with our families!







### SUMMER FUN!

This summer has been an absolute blast at The Learning Tree! Our little ones have been enjoying a variety of fun and engaging activities designed to make their summer memorable. From splashing around on water play days to exploring their creativity with arts and crafts, every day is filled with joy and laughter.

We're thrilled to see the children making new friends, discovering new interests, and creating lasting memories. Stay tuned for more highlights and stories as we continue to make this a summer to remember!







# Pre-K Graduation

Pre-K graduation ceremony is just around the corner! It's hard to believe how quickly time has flown by, and we're incredibly proud of all the growth and accomplishments our Pre-K children have achieved this year.

As they prepare to embark on the next chapter of their educational journey, we look forward to celebrating their achievements and sending them off with love, pride, and best wishes for continued success. Stay tuned for more details about this special event—it's sure to be a heartwarming celebration of our amazing Pre-K graduates!

#### SAVE THE DATES:

Monday, August 5th- North Tuesday, August 6th- West Wednesday, August 7th- South Monday, August 12th- Howell Tuesday, August 13th- Lyon Township













### Celebrating LT Employees!

#### BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES!

We are so grateful for LT employees, and we LOVE celebrating birthdays and anniversaries each month! This month we are celebrating the following birthdays and anniversaries!

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

KyWana LT-Lyon Township - 7.10
Claire LT- Lyon Township - 7.12
Samantha LT- Lyon Township - 7.3
Allison LT-South Lyon - 7.15
Maria LT-South Lyon - 7.26
Monica LT-South Lyon - 7.2
Kharli LT-West - 7.7
Danelle LT-West - 7.14
Breeya LT -West 7.15
Anna LT-West - 7.27

#### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**

Phoenix LT North - 1 year on July 3rd!

Jessica LT West - 6 years on July 9th!

Brianna LT West - 2 years on July 25th!

Erin Regional Team - 5 years on July 16th

# LET'S CELEBRATE!

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