

# HOPE RIDGE PRESCHOOL, INC.

*"Where Children Love to Learn and Learn with Love"*

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*Parent Newsletter*

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Dear Parents,

It has truly been an honor and a privilege to have participated in the early education of your children this year! It was such a joy to get to know your families and to watch your children grow. Though our graduating families will be tremendously missed, we share in the excitement of the kindergarten transition and wish your children the very best in this next step on their educational journeys. To our returning families, we look forward to another year with you and your children at this preschool home!

Hope Ridge Preschool is excited to announce that we have redesigned our webpage! Please take a look at the information and resources available on this all-inclusive site! Our main page can be accessed by going to [www.hoperidge.com/preschool](http://www.hoperidge.com/preschool). You can navigate through the many additional preschool pages on the site by clicking on the preschool tab on the menu bar at the top of the page.

As our year comes to a close, I would like to take a moment to sincerely thank you for the many ways you have supported Hope Ridge over the course of the year. A large part of our success as a private community preschool is due to your help and involvement! Our POPS group has been incredible! Throughout the year POPS supported classroom enrichment, family connections, and the overall school environment in a consistently fun and enthusiastic way. I would like to extend a special thank you to Anne Krauss and Anna Richmond for all of their time spent successfully leading POPS this year, and to Gabe Zelinka for being our play-dough coordinator! So many parents assisted with classroom parties, playdough making, special events, and teacher support. We have truly been blessed by the commitment of all involved! Finally, I am so grateful to our staff for the commitment, dedication and love they devote to their roles as educators every day.

I hope that each of you enjoy the end of school activities and festivities. Though the days remaining are few, they are certainly packed with many exciting educational opportunities. May you all enjoy the final weeks of school and may your summer be blessed.

With gratitude and best wishes,

Samantha Meunier  
Director

## Mark your calendars...

5/1 & 2:	Muffins with Mom
5/3:	Fun Friday Fiesta, 11:15-12:45
5/8:	Teacher Appreciation Day Luncheon
5/16 & 17:	Last Day of Classes and Parties
5/17:	POPS End of Year Carnival 5:30-7:30

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## Hope Ridge UMC invites you to join us!

### **Red Cross Blood Drive**

*May 3<sup>rd</sup>*

*2:00 - 7:00 p.m.*

*HRUMC Music Room*

Schedule an appointment at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org). Receive a \$5 Amazon gift card by email from the Red Cross for donating at this drive.

### **Spring Crafternoon**

*May 5<sup>th</sup>*

*2:00-3:30 or 3:30-5:00*

*HRUMC Music Room*

Make a cheerful mini air plant terrarium to keep or give as a gift! All ages welcome and open to the public. Cost: \$5 per person, payable at the door. Please RSVP online at [www.hoperidge.com](http://www.hoperidge.com). Space is limited.

### **Preparing for Long Term Care**

*May 8<sup>th</sup>*

*6:00 p.m.*

*Conference Room*

Jonathan Wilterdink, Financial Professional with the Northeast Ohio Group of Thrivent Financial, will introduce you to long term care, what it is, what it's not, and how you and your family can prepare for it. Join us for a complimentary one-hour presentation with light refreshments. RSVP at [www.hoperidge.com](http://www.hoperidge.com).

### **Understanding Poverty - Simulation and Discussion**

*June 29<sup>th</sup>*

*9:30a.m. - 1:30 p.m.*

*Hope Ridge UMC*

Join us for this poverty simulation and begin to experience what it's like for typical low income families trying to survive from month to month. This free public event is a simulation, not a game. There will be time for reflection and discussion after lunch. Put on by Western Reserve District, register at [westernreservepovertysimulation.eventbrite.com](http://westernreservepovertysimulation.eventbrite.com) by June 21.

### **Vacation Bible School (VBS)**

*July 15-19*

*9 a.m. - noon*

*\$15 per child/\$30 max per family*

*Register at [hoperidge.com/vbs](http://hoperidge.com/vbs)*

#### **POPS News....**

Thank you for all of your support with our very successful Malley's Easter Candy Fundraiser. We are looking forward to Muffins with Moms this Wednesday and Thursday! We will also be providing a Teacher Appreciation Luncheon for the Hope Ridge Staff on Wednesday May 8<sup>th</sup>. We are very excited for the upcoming POPS Carnival scheduled for Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup>. There will be entertainment, food and games! Please remember to turn in your RSVP! We anticipate a super fun family event!

Thanks for a great year!