

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT
homeplate
2009-10 PARENT HANDBOOK

A WEDNESDAY EVENING PROGRAM FOR 3RD — 5TH GRADERS

homeplate is a weekly program of food, fun, fellowship, worship and small group Bible study for 3rd through 5th grade children.

NIGHTLY SCHEDULE

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| 5:30-6:00 | Gametime | Gym/kidZone |
| 6:00-7:30 | Dinner /Family Bible Time | Commons |
| 7:30-8:00 | Worship | KidZone |

location

HomePlate is on Wednesdays from September 16 to April 7 at Sunnybrook Community Church: 5601 Sunnybrook Drive, across from Target and Lowe's. Kids can be dropped off at the north doors.

parents

We desire to partner with parents to build CHAMPIONS for the cause of Christ. We encourage you to participate in and encourage daily Bible reading and prayer with your kids at home. Discuss what they learned each week and see that they are regular attendees not only of HomePlate, but of Sunday worship as well. We also ask your help in the following:

- Serve on a kitchen crew (once every 6 weeks, 5:00—7:30 p.m.) Your help is essential to our program and your commitment is a sign to your child of the value you place on their involvement. Childcare for younger children is provided for all HomePlate volunteers.
- Stress the importance of courtesy and good behavior at HomePlate.

registration

Registration forms for HomePlate can be picked up at the kidZone visitor center or be downloaded from the Sunnybrook website at www.sunnybrookchurch.org. Registrations must be accompanied by the \$70 registration fee.

guest policy

We highly encourage our kids to bring guests. However, in order to have a place setting and ample food, please notify the church by **10 a.m. Wednesday** if you are bringing a guest.

For more information about HomePlate, you may contact Laurie Van Cura, Children's ministry director, at laurievc@sunnybrookchurch.org or 276-7915 ext. 26.

september

- 16 Campfire Night** (hot dogs)
bring your family, dress for the outdoors and enjoy some s'mores
- 23 Horrible Hair Night** (subs)
compete for the wackiest "do"
- 30 Wacky Hat Night** (pizza)
wear your funkiest hat and compete for a prize

october

- 7 Backwards Night** (nacho night)
wear your clothes backwards
- 14 Mystery Meal** (??????)
- 21 Superhero Night/Invite a Friend** (bbq sandwiches)
bring friends and dress as a superhero (rsvp by 10/20)
- 28 Mask Night** (hot dogs) wear a funky mask and make people guess who you are underneath it all

november

- 4 School Spirit Night** (subs)
wear your school colors and show your school spirit
- 11 Western Night** (pizza)
don your hat and boots for a rootin', tootin' time
- 18 NO HOMEPLATE:** Red Cross Tour of Homes meets at Sunnybrook
- 25 NO HOMEPLATE: Thanksgiving Eve Service—7 p.m.**
5:00-6:30—Soup Supper Everyone invited!

december

- 2 Fiesta Night** (nacho night)
ole! wear your festive fiesta clothes
- 9 Mystery Meal** (Mystery meal????)
- 16 Disco Night** (bbq sandwiches)
wear a crazy 70's outfit
- 23 NO HOMEPLATE: Christmas Break**
- 30 NO HOMEPLATE: Christmas Break**

january

6 50's & 60's Night (hot dogs)

get out the pomade and bobby socks as we rock around the clock

13 Luau Night (subs)

dress up with Hawaiian flair (no swimsuits)

20 Pajama Night (breakfast food/served by pizza crew)

wear your most comfy PJ's and slippers

27 Beach Party (nacho night)

get out your sunglasses and flip flops for fun in the sun (no swimsuits)

february

3 Mystery Meal (???????)

10 Valentine's Night (bbq sandwiches)

bring valentines for your table group

17 Patriotic Night (hot dogs)

support the red, white and blue with your outfit

24 Missions Night (subs)

bring canned food for the local food bank

march

3 NO HOMEPLATE: Volunteer Appreciation Night

10 Safari Night (pizza)

it's a jungle out there! wear your adventure safari clothes

17 St. Patrick's Night (nacho night)

it's the luck of the Irish — wear green

24 Mystery Meal (???????)

31 2nd Grade Night (bbq sandwiches)

2nds graders join us to try out HomePlate for next year

april

7 Season Finale/5th Grade Celebration (hot dogs)

a celebration honoring our graduating 5th graders

discipline procedures

BEHAVIOR GUIDELINES:

- Everyone stays seated unless called upon by the table parent or in the case of a group activity.
- Only one person speaks at a time. Show respect when others have the floor.
- No hitting, pushing, kicking, throwing things at or insulting others in your group.
- Listen while your dinner dean or table parent is talking.

Failure to follow these guidelines will result in the following discipline procedure:

1. The first time the child misbehaves, a verbal warning is given — STRIKE ONE.
2. If the bad behavior continues, a second warning is given and they are sent into the hall where they will talk with the Comforter about their behavior, and returned to the classroom after a few minutes — STRIKE TWO.
3. If the inappropriate behavior persists, they will be sent to see the HomePlate Director AND their parents will be called to pick them up. They will NOT return to their group.— STRIKE THREE.

If a child receives three strikes on two consecutive weeks, they will need to take a break from HomePlate for one week.

If you have any questions concerning these procedures, please contact Laurie Van Cura, director of children's ministry, at 276-7915 ext. 26 or laurievc@sunnybrookchurch.org.



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