

Subject: Fall Kick-off

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What are you doing in your program to welcome the children and their families back from summer activities? I'm asking because in the Puget Sound area people go nuts when there's a nice weekend and they leave town to go camping, boating, hiking, swimming, beach combing, etc. The attendance usually drops a bit. (This summer has been extraordinary as you may have heard with 61 straight days with no measurable rainfall--very unusual for the Seattle area) Most churches in this part of the USA do a big welcome back for the families and kids. They time it to coincide with the kids starting back to school and utilize the fresh new start energy that creates to make procedure changes or room reorganization or bring on newly trained teachers.