

February Newsletter 2010

Dear Parents,

February is an exciting month. First of all, it is my favorite month here at the preschool because we see such growth in these little ones--the seeds have been planted, the stem has grown taller and flowers (children) are beginning to be the most beautiful blossoms! It is exciting to see them change!

We are excited to announce a fun family activity we are having on Feb. 10th. We will be having a Valentine Dance for the 4/5 year olds, their families and the kindergarteners from the Holy Cross Elementary school. It should be a fun time for all. I hope to see a lot of our 4 and 5 year olds there with their families.

We were sad to see Miss Konrade leave for Pennsylvania and Miss Nataly leave for cosmetology school. We are happy to have found great replacements. Miss Lisa Gates will be taking Miss Nataly's hours, Mrs. Laurie Matt will be teaching the T-K, and Mrs. Kristen Marquis will be teaching the afternoon Pre-K class. Registration for the 2010-2011 school year was sent home. You may complete the form and return it in your child's bag along with the registration fee on or before February 8th. Open Registration for the community begins February 8th.

What's Happening in February...

The Education Center and the elementary school will be hosting an **OPEN HOUSE** for all new students and their families February 7th between 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Please invite your family and friends to tour our learning space, meet our staff and find out more information about the programs and curriculum our education center offers.

The children who attend preschool class on T Th, will be celebrating **Valentine's Day** on Tuesday, February 9th. The children who attend preschool class on M W, M W F and M - F will be celebrating on Wednesday, February 10th. Those who wish to share Valentine cards please observe the following:

1. Send _____ cards with the words, "From" followed by your child's name.
2. **Do not address the cards to specific children**
3. Send the cards on the day of your child's party.

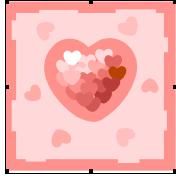
Valentine Dance- 6:30-7:30 pm Feb. 10th at Pflumm Hall at Holy Cross Elementary School **for EEC Pre-K and TK classes, HC kindergarteners, and their families.** Look for your invitation in the school bag later this week.

CONFERENCES for all children are February 11th and 12th between 8:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Look for conference schedules from your teachers next week. There will be no preschool classes on conference days. However, extended care is still available for those enrolled in full days (Stay N Play kids).

*Just a reminder...**Our school is closed on Monday, February 17th** for President's Day with the possibility of Between Care open.

February 23rd—**Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Open House** from 5:30-6:30. Come to the EEC see what your child is learning!

Looking ahead to March...**Spring Break is 3/12 - 3/21.**



JUST FOR FUN!



When learning about the letter M, a 5 year old girl said, “That looks like the McDonald arches and I LOVE their breakfast burritos! I just can’t stop eating those mugs!”

One child in the 3 year old class was playing house and called one of the boy’s mom a girl. He said, “She’s NOT a GIRL! She’s my mom!”

The 2 ½ year old class was in Catechesis of the Good Shepherd class singing “Be Still and Know that I am God”. After the song, one boy said, “I want to be God.”

Mrs. Tooley asked the children, “What was the best thing about Christmas?” All the kids told about their favorite toy they got except one 5 year old boy. He said, “My favorite thing was the night before my daddy left for the army, he made me French toast before I went to bed. Then he taught my mommy how to make it so she could make it for me when he was gone.” Mrs. Tooley and the teachers didn’t have a dry eye after that story!

*****Teacher Spotlight*****

The teacher in the spotlight for February is Mrs. Lori Canfield. This is Mrs. Canfield’s first year at the EEC. She is a Pre-K teacher. Her previous teaching experience includes being a kindergarten teacher assistant for 3 years, teaching of Sunday school and bible school for many years, and being a catechist for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. Mrs. Canfield has 3 children that attend Holy Cross Catholic School. In her class, there is LOTS of learning with songs, dramatization, games, stories, and skill repetition. When you go into her classroom, you see a very busy teacher with lots of smiling children! We are very happy to have Mrs. Canfield on our staff!