



Tiny Tales



TRINITY CHURCH DAY SCHOOL

MAY 2010

Dear Parents,

Where did this year go? It seems like just yesterday we were welcoming everyone back from summer vacation. Now it's time to say goodbye. But before saying goodbye, I would like to take a moment to express my thanks to several people. First, thank you to our Parents' Club officers, Kate Matulonis, Anjie Henry and Betsy Turnbaugh. Their efforts helped to make this another very successful year for our Parents' Club and in turn for our school. Kate and Anjie have agreed to stay on as President and Vice-President of the Parents' Club next year. If you are interested in helping the Parents' Club next year as Treasurer, please contact Kate or Anjie. Thanks also to those who chaired the special Parents' Club events this year: Robin Znamirovski for Sally Foster, Tanya Ruppert for the Spaghetti Dinner, Kathleen Becker and Diane Waite for the Scholastic Book Fair, Bryarly Szalczyk and Chrissy Waire for Santa's Workshop, Christy Bleach for BoxTops, Anjie Henry for ArtWare and Lisa Carroll and Jennifer Rommel for a very successful Silent Auction.

Each year the staff hosts a Parent Appreciation Brunch. It is our way of saying thank you to all of our parents who do so much to support the day school. The Parent Appreciation Brunch will be held on Monday, May 24 at 9:00 a.m. in the Multi-Purpose room. Invitations will be coming home shortly. The food is prepared for you by our staff and is truly delicious. I hope to see everyone there.

As a reminder, our school year has been extended one additional week because of the delay in opening in the fall due to the new construction. The last day of school this year will be Friday, June 4. May and June will be very busy months. Please check the **spring calendar** attached to this newsletter and mark your calendar for all the special events taking place in May and June. One of the very special events will take place on Friday, June 4. Dr. Fran will lead a special chapel service at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, June 4 for all our four-year-olds who will be leaving Trinity and going on to "big school" in the fall. The children will be singing several special songs and at the end of chapel will receive a certificate of congratulations from the school. After chapel the children will finish out the last day of school with their end of the year class party. We welcome all the families of our four-year-olds to attend this special chapel. I look forward to seeing many of you there. All of our four-year-olds will participate in hearing and vision screening scheduled for May 21. Consent forms must be signed and returned to school in order for your child to be tested.

SPRING CONFERENCES

TCDS will be closed on Friday, May 14 for parent/teacher conferences. Please check with your child's teacher to sign up for a conference time. There will be No Extended Day services on May 14.

We still have a few openings left in all of our programs for next year. Please spread the word to friends and neighbors who might be looking for a preschool. There are still spaces available in our summer camp program. Please check the lists posted in the school lobby for availability. We need a minimum of 5 children to hold the camp for any particular week. Last year's children enjoyed themselves immensely. This year's camp promises to be even better. Consider giving your child an additional week at Trinity this summer to socialize with old friends and make new ones, learn all about God's Amazing Creatures, and get the extra physical activity needed by all children.

Trinity Church is hosting their annual Country Fair on Saturday, May 22 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. It is a great family fun day. There is delicious food, craft and book tables and our old friend, Wild Willie will be there to entertain the children. Check the school news bulletin board for more details.

The last days for our library this year will be Monday and Tuesday, May 10 and 11. Please check around your house to make sure that all overdue books have been returned to school. If your child has an overdue book he/she will not be able to take home a book on the last day of library. At this time I would like to say thank you to our wonderful volunteer librarian, Mrs. Pat Schwartz, for all the time she devoted to the children of Trinity this year. Also, our thanks go to Mrs. Deb Donofrio. Miss Deb also volunteered her time at Trinity, treating our students to a Yoga Kids session every other Friday. Finally, thank you to Mrs. Dee Schuette for her wonderful holiday puppet shows. Ladies have been so generous with their time and the staff and children are very appreciative.

There is still time to participate in our "Buy a Brick" program. If you are interested in purchasing an inscribed brick which will be placed on our Brick Walkway, please complete the order form attached to this newsletter and return to the office.

Thursday, June 3 is the last day for Extended Day. I do not send home balance due notices at the end of the school year. We ask that any outstanding bills from previous months be paid ASAP and that you pay for services the day that you use them. **Our school policy states that: Beginning on May 3 anyone using Extended Day or Lunch Bunch must pay the day they attend. After May 7 anyone who has an unpaid balance will not be able to participate in the program. The week of June 1, Extended Day is for contracted children only. The last week for Lunch Bunch is the week of May 24. There is NO Extended Day on Friday, June 4.** Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Once again, thank you for sharing your child with us this year. We appreciate the privilege of being a part of your child's early education experience. I hope that each and every one of you have a great summer and we look forward to having you back here at Trinity in the fall to begin another great school year.

Sincerely,
Lynn

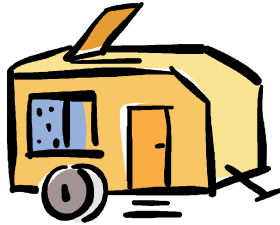
EXTENDED DAY NEWS

From April showers to May flowers—we have just one short month before we wish everyone a fun and safe summer. Until then we will be making animal, bug and flower crafts, enjoying the warm weather with a lot of outdoor play, and as always, Wednesday tea parties with Ms. Woodie. Please come join us!

NEWS FROM OUR RECTOR:

Summer vacation is almost here!
How exciting!

When I was growing up, my family spent two weeks of summer vacation traveling around the country. In the beginning, we hauled a trailer. Later we graduated to one of the earliest RV's— a Dodge. I have a treasure trove of



memories from those trips. We visited historic sites (Gettysburg) as well as fun places (Six Flags over Texas). We hiked through caves (Mammoth Cave and Carlsbad Caverns). We went to the Grand Canyon and Yellowstone Park. I may have learned more about our country on those trips than in the classroom—OK, not more, but definitely something different than in the classroom. For one thing, I learned how to read a map and serve as “navigator” while my father drove. (My brother was the navigator when Mama was at the wheel).

All was not pleasant, of course. Their were the inevitable squabbles—“he’s touching me”, “she’s looking at me”. We often showered at campgrounds, and even washed our hair at filling stations! Warm juice isn’t pleasant at breakfast and baloney sandwiches got old very quickly. Sometimes we got lost, other times we misjudged the time needed to get from point A to point B. The biggest headaches came when something broke down—the water pump, a flat tire, the air conditioner.

I cherish both the good times and the bad, because they were family times. As you plan your summer, be intentional about that family time. It’s what your children will treasure the rest of their lives. Happy summer!
Dr. Fran +

MUSIC NOTES FROM MS. SUE:

Since spring break, all the classes (except the 2’s) have been busy rehearsing for the spring musicals. (*See schedule) With apologies to Mother Goose, here are some student comments that I have especially enjoyed:

Humpty Dumpty as he fell off the wall:
“Oh, this is gonna hurt for a while!”

In response to the Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe and didn’t know what to do with all her children: “Take them outside to play!”

Pease Porridge in a pot nine days old:
“I’m going to ask my mom to fix that!”

Bo Peep: “Lost her sheep, just like Dr. Fran lost hers in Chapel!”

Spoon to his friend, the Dish (Hey Diddle Diddle): “Don’t worry, just follow me!”

To the Maid in the garden hanging out the clothes (Sing a Song of Sixpence):
“Why didn’t she just decorate the trees with lights?”

A Queen: “Do I have to wear this crown? It doesn’t match my dress?”

The children have enjoyed practicing the songs and routines and always look forward to sharing their talents with an appreciative audience! So, invite some family or friends, bring a camera (no flashes) and join us!

The 3’s and 4’s have also learned new Chapel songs to share at Wednesday Chapel.

The 2’s have been singing and signing three verses of “God is So Good”, and they’ve learned many songs about springtime... rain, thunder, caterpillars, butterflies, spiders...

In May, all the classes will be learning songs about spring and finish the school year with some favorite songs and activities, such as the parachute, freeze marching with rhythm instruments, and musical games with balls, sticks, hoops or bean bags.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the musical performances. I have enjoyed working with your children this school year, and I hope you have a safe and relaxing summer vacation!

Musically,
Sue Cusick



MUSICAL SCHEDULE
**"A Celebration of
 Mother Goose"**

Wednesday, May 12	11:15 a.m.
M/W/F 3's	
Thursday, May 13	11:15 a.m.
Tu/Th 3's and Five day 3's	
Wednesday, May 19	9:20 a.m.
M/W/F 4's	
Thursday, May 20	9:20 a.m.
Five day 4's	

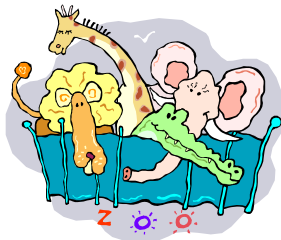
Hey Kids!

**What are you doing this summer?
 Join us at Trinity for Summer Camp!
 Trinity's Summer Camp is the place to
 be this summer. It's the place for
 fun in the meadow, games, crafts,
 singing songs, nature walks, water
 fun, Bible stories with science and
 nature centers all about God's
 Amazing Creatures.**

Don't miss it!

**Camp begins the week of June
 14. There are still spaces available
 in all sessions. Put on your tennis
 shoes, have mom pack your lunch and
 get ready to have fun!**

**Applications available in the
 school office.**



HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES

to our friends celebrating
 birthdays in **May**: Makayla
 Thoner, Auden Beauvois, Will
 Donohue, Sarah Szalczyk,
 Paige Tomick, Andrei Turner,
 and Alexander Rocca.

AND... To our Trinity friends with summer
 birthdays:

June: Sue Cusick, Molly Rupert, Dixon
 McDonald, Delaney Edwards.

July: Ava Chenowith, Leighton Alsip,
 Maddox Helme, Marianne Mignoglio, Mrs.
 Sue Tirocchi, Mrs. Danielle O'Ree, Matthew
 Jacobs, Avery Ashton, Benjamin Becker,
 LeeAnn Bailey.

August: Mrs. Woodie Swartz, Oliver
 Beattie, Jason Znamirovski, Callen
 Kleinschmidt, Hailey Lowe, Beth
 Ruppertsberger.

Trinity Church
 Annual Country Fair
 Saturday, May 22
 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
 Fun for the entire family!

- Huge flea market, crafts, books, and plants
- Delicious food featuring pulled pork BBQ
 - Bake Table
- Wild Willy is back with us again this year for the kids along with his balloon animals
- Children will also enjoy our moon bounce, face painting and fun games!



PARENTS' CLUB NEWS

Dear Parents,

It's hard to imagine that the school year is already coming to an end. It seems just yesterday we were patiently waiting for the addition to be finished and for our children to move into their new classrooms. We know we speak for all of the parents when we say the addition was much needed and the space it gives the teachers and children is truly wonderful. We want to extend a great big thanks to Lynn, Martha, Dr. Fran and all for the Trinity teachers and staff for making a smooth transition and another memorable year for our children. We would also like to thank all of the parents who volunteered, attended, and supported Trinity this school year. Without parent support, our school could not continue to operate at the level it does now.

I would like to especially thank the people who chaired the numerous Parents' Club events throughout the year: Christy Bleach for Boxtops, Robin Znamirowski for Sally Foster, Tanya Ruppert for the Spaghetti Dinner, Kathleen Becker and Diane Waite for the Book Fair, Bryarly Szalczyk and Chrissy Waire for Santa's Workshop, Lisa Carroll and Jennifer Rommel for the Silent Auction and Anjanette Henry for Artware.

Please consider volunteering for an event next year. It's a great way to meet other parents and get involved. If you are great with numbers, we are looking for a new treasurer for next year. If you are interested, contact myself, Anjanette, or Lynn.

For those of you moving on from Trinity, we wish you all the best of luck. For those that are returning next year, we know that next year will be another successful and nurturing year for the faculty, students and the parents.

Best Regards,

Kate Matulonis, President

Anjanette Henry, Vice President

SPRING CALENDAR

May 2	TCDS Sunday at Trinity Church 10:00 a.m.
May 3, 4, 5	Group class picture days
May 10	TCDS School Board meeting
May 12	Spring musical, 11:15 a.m. M/W/F 3's
May 13	Spring musical, 11:15 a.m. Tu/Th 3's & Five day 3's
May 14	Conference Day—TCDS Closed
May 19	Spring musical, 9:20 a.m. M/W/F 4's
May 20	Spring musical, 9:20 a.m. Five day 4's
May 21	Hearing and Vision screenings for 4's
May 22	Trinity Church Country Fair 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
May 31	Memorial Day—TCDS Closed
June 2	Last day of Enrichment
June 3	Last day of Extended Day
June 4	Last day of school Special Chapel service for Four Year Olds

