



TINY TALES



TRINITY CHURCH DAY SCHOOL

January, 2020

HAPPY ★ NEW ★ YEAR

FROM THE DIRECTORS DESK:

Dear TCDS Families,

I hope that you had a relaxing and healthy Christmas break! I truly enjoyed spending some quality time with my boys and I had a ball watching Lilly learn to stand up and cruise on the furniture! It's amazing how fast they grow up and I treasure all the moments I get to watch them! Welcome back for the second half of the 2019-2020 school year. I can feel it is going to be a productive and positive time!

Thank you to all those family members who joined us for our Christmas Chapel services. The children were truly magical with their singing and the four classes did a tremendous job with the Christmas pageant. Smiles abounded and hearts were filled with the holiday spirit. A special thanks to Ms. Sue, who always puts on a great production, and to Ms. Nicole, Mrs. Carder, Ms. Jamie, and Ms. Liz for the assistance and support of their Angels. Each of our students made the whole experience unique and special for all.

Santa's Workshop was a huge success as the children shopped for gifts for their loved ones. Jen Hicks and Nashay Riggs really knocked it out of the park this year! Please join me in thanking them for their organization and dedication in ensuring this event was memorable for each of our kiddos. We also extend our gratitude to all of Santa's helpers, whether they served as wrappers or personal assistants while shopping. Your hard work made this event a great success and a fun experience for the children.

For those of you who had the opportunity to participate in our outreach program this holiday, I thank you from the bottom of my heart. Your generosity has brought joy to so many here in Baltimore. We collected over 300 canned goods and a tree FULL of hats, gloves, and scarves for those served at Paul's Place. The Angel Gifts were delivered to Kennedy Kreiger in time for Christmas and I am sure they were greatly appreciated by the children. Those in need will feel the love and warmth thanks to you and your contributions.

As we begin the second half of the school year, please mark your new calendars for these important events:

- * January 15 & 16: Winter Open House, 9:30 –11:30
- * January 17: Conference Day –**TCDS Closed** (Extended Day Available 9-3 with limited numbers)
- * January 20 : Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday –**TCDS Closed**
- * January 23: Registration for 2020-2021 school year
*Open to returning students, alumni, siblings and Trinity Church families
- * January 30: Registration for 2020-2021 school year
*Open to the community

Our school's best advertisement is word-of-mouth, so we are asking for your help to spread the word about Trinity Church Day School. Please share with your friends and neighbors all of the wonderful things that we are doing here. Our Winter Open House will be held on January 15 and 16 from 9:30-11:30. Also, if you know of a place where one of our fliers can be posted, please stop by the office to pick one up.

Registration for the 2020-2021 school year will take place on Thursday, January 23 for returning students, siblings, alumni, and Trinity Church families. Please enter the building using the front door of the Parish Hall (upstairs) starting at 7:30. Laura and I will begin taking applications at that time. School policy states that you must be here in person to register your child. If, for some reason, you cannot be here that day, please stop by the office to discuss



FROM THE DIRECTORS DESK continued:

your situation. Please look for further information about our program offerings and an application this week. Please note that certain classes may fill early, so please don't wait to sign up for the class you prefer.

Trinity will once again offer a traditional half-day Kindergarten program with the optional three- or five-day Enrichment program that extends the Kindergarten day until 3 p.m. If you or anyone you know is interested in Kindergarten at Trinity, we ask that you register on either January 23 or 31 so that we will know if there is enough interest to make a viable class. A decision concerning the Kindergarten program will be made by May 1, 2020. If we do not have sufficient numbers to have a Kindergarten class, your registration fee will be returned. If you want further information about our Kindergarten program, please stop by the office.

As a reminder, all children entering our programs must be the appropriate age by September 1. All children in the 3s, 4s, and Kindergarten classes, as well as Extended Day, must be potty-trained before starting the school year. Please also remember that your last tuition payment for the 2019-2020 school year is due by February 1. This payment must be made before we can finalize your child's registration for next school year.

Trinity will be closed on Friday, January 17 for parent-teacher conferences. Your child's teacher has already reached out to schedule a time for your conference; please be sure to read all communications sent home to ensure you are thoroughly informed of these processes. This conference will be your opportunity to discuss your child's progress so that you can make an informed decision concerning the appropriate placement for the next school year. The staff and I encourage parents to attend this meeting if it is at all possible.

Extended Day will be open from 9-3 on Conference Day and any child enrolled at TCDS can stay. Children staying during *just* their conference time will not be charged for this service; children staying for larger chunks of time will be charged the standard \$8 an hour. **The office is not making the assumption that contracted Extended Day students will be staying;** therefore, everyone **MUST** sign their child up in advance to ensure we have enough space for those who need this service. Sign-up sheets are posted next to the Extended Day bulletin board at this time.

Trinity will once again be offering the Summer Nature Program in June. The program will be offered on a weekly basis and will run for four weeks beginning Monday, June 1. Program hours are 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. After-care will be offered during the first two weeks of June, and during the second two weeks if there is enough interest. TCDS and Trinity Church families will be given an opportunity to register before we open registration to the community. We will again offer a discount coupon to those who register early. Additional Summer Nature Program information, an application, and a discount coupon will be posted on our school's website later in January. We will begin accepting applications in March. Children attending camp must be three years old by June 1 and **MUST** be potty-trained.

Preparation for our Spring Event is well under way. Be sure to mark April 18th on your calendar for now. Please stay tuned for ways that you can help out with this event. This is the Day School's biggest fundraiser and your support is very important to its success.

Lastly, I want to thank each and everyone for your kind holiday wishes, cards, and generous gifts. I feel so loved and extremely blessed to be a part of such an incredible school family. As always, if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to stop by the office. Our door is always open.

Take Care,
Chrissy





FINAL TUITION
PAYMENT IS DUE
FEBRUARY 1, 2020

See Laura if you have any questions
or would like a statement for your 2019 taxes.



FROM OUR RECTOR:

Hope you had a wonderful holiday.

One of the great things about being a liturgical church is that we celebrate Christmas for the full 12 days. Our celebrating ends January 6 with the Feast of the Manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles, that is, the coming of the Magi. Although most Nativity Scenes (crèches) include the wise men, if you read Matthew's account, you realize that Jesus must have been a toddler when they arrived. So we continue our celebration through January 6.

Tradition holds there were three magi (wise men, not kings) based on the three gifts they brought- gold, frankincense, and myrrh. These were easily transportable items of great value, making them easy for the magi to bring, and for the Holy Family to carry on their flight to Egypt to escape King Herod. An alternative explanation is that gold symbolized Jesus' royalty (descended from King David), frankincense his divinity (as incense was part of worship of the divine), and myrrh foretold his death as it was used to anoint dead bodies before burial. Another tradition depicts the kings as representative of all peoples with one old, one middle aged and one young, also one fair skinned, one very dark and one of olive complexion.

I find all of these traditions valuable as they remind me that God came into the world in order to save all people.

I wish you a very blessed New Year.

Dr. Fran

SCHOOL IS CLOSED
Monday, January 20th
In observation of:



TCDS' ANNUAL
FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY
APRIL 18, 2020

6:00—10:00 PM

@ GRIMMEL
FARMS in
JARRETTSVILLE

MORE INFO TO
COME SOON!



EXTENDED DAY
NEWS



Don't forget to sign up for
conference day,
January 17, 2020!



Music Notes

Thank you to all the Trinity Angels who came to sing for Christmas Chapel. They made beautiful music that put everyone in the Christmas spirit! I hope you had a wonderful Christmas. Happy New Year!

This month in music, all the classes will be learning songs about winter, snow, and snowmen. The three's and four's classes will be learning songs to celebrate diversity and Martin Luther King Day. They will also begin preparing for our spring musicals, "Trinity's Musical Calendar" - more details later!

In movement, we will be dancing to, and comparing, Leroy Anderson's "Sleigh Ride" and Mozart's "Sleigh Ride"; playing snowball games, and dancing the "Snowkey Pokey". Please remember to dress your children appropriately on Fridays – no boots, please.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please let me know.

Musically,
Ms. Sue



BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES to our Trinity friends celebrating birthday in **JANUARY**:

Ellie Longo, Samantha Hogrebe, Ethan Parker, Walter Callilhan, Jordyn Scarff, Dorothy Deford, Hudson Insley, Ava Streiff and Cooper Ullmann

**** CONFERENCE DAY ****

Friday, January 17th

**Don't
Forget!**



TCDS CLOSED for students !

Extended Day is **OPEN**

9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

Sign up sheet is on the board outside of the office

A FRIENDLY REMINDER:

If your child is sent home or stays home with a fever or vomiting, please do not send your child back to school until he/she is without fever or vomiting for at **least 24 hours**.

If your child is diagnosed with a contagious illness such as strep throat or pinkeye, please be aware that your child may not return to school until they have been on an antibiotic for **at least 24 hours**.

Additionally, if your child has a cold with cough and running

nose, please use sound judgment about not sending them back to school too soon.



TCDS' Inclement Weather Policy

In case of inclement weather, listen for information concerning Baltimore County Public Schools. **If Baltimore County Public Schools are delayed one hour, Trinity Church Day School will open at 10am. If Baltimore County Public Schools are delayed two hours, Trinity Church Day School will open at 11 am and conclude at 1pm for our morning session.** If Baltimore County Public School System is closed due to inclement weather, Trinity Church Day School will close as well. If Baltimore County Schools must close during the day due to inclement weather, the afternoon session and Extended Day will close at noon. Children should be picked up as soon as possible. If Trinity Church Day School is closed for more than 10 days due to inclement weather we will make up days as follows: April 6, 7, and 8, 2020.

TCDS' 2020 - 2021 REGISTRATION

Thursday, January 23rd – 7:30 a.m.

Returning students, alumni, siblings and Trinity Church families.

Thursday, January 30th – 7:30 a.m.

Open to the community.

Snow Dates: Friday January 14th and 31st





TCDS Bragging Points

Did you know that...

- * the majority of our teachers have not only what is required by MSDE but Masters Degrees as well?
- * many of our teachers go above and beyond their training requirement to become credentialed through MSDE Office of Childcare?
- * we are one of the very few schools that offer library, music, AND movement classes?
- * we offer special programs and field trips for all classes?
- * we have interactive whiteboards in every classroom as well as an intercom system to keep us safe and connected throughout the building?
- * we are participating in several grants through the Maryland State Department of Education?
- * many teachers from area schools look forward to having children from Trinity?
- * when our Angels move on they will have the compassion, kindness, courage, and self-confidence necessary to be successful and happy in school?

TRINITY CHURCH DAY SCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE

January 15 & 16, 2020

9:30-11:30

*Come by anytime or schedule a tour!



Celebrating
62 years!

**Registration for the
2020-21 School Year**
In-House: January 23, 2020
Community: January 30, 2020

www.trinitychurchdayschool.com

- **Programs for 2's, 3's, 4's & K and Enrichment Classes**
- **Library, Chapel, Music & Creative Movement Classes**
- **Morning and Afternoon Extended Care** starting at 8am and ending at 5:30pm
- **Field Trips and Special Programs**

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PARENTS' CLUB NEWS

Happy 2020!! We hope you had a fun filled and refreshing break and are excited to start the New Year on a positive note.

A special thanks to Jen Hicks and Nashay Riggs for organizing Wrapping Night and Santa's Workshop and to all the volunteers who helped to make these events run smoothly. These are always such fun events and the thought our angels put into selecting gifts is, if nothing else, adorable.

Upcoming events and info:

· **Flower (bulbs) and Plant Sale** information will be going home soon. They come from a farm in Pennsylvania and will arrive in early April, just in time for Spring! This is a great way to restock your gardens, and you'll help us raise funds for: new playground equipment, teacher wish list items, and rebuilding our scholarship fund. Kristen Callihan (Kristen040281@yahoo.com) will be running this fundraiser, so please contact her with any questions!

· **Barn Bash** - Taking place on Saturday, April 18, 2020 at Grimmel Farms in Jarrettsville. Please attend the planning meeting on Wednesday, January 15 at 6 pm! The Yeti cooler and accessories will be ordered this week, so start planning your boating or camping trips. :) Feel free to contact Kara Wasniak (karamsnyder@gmail.com) or Sarah Rosenberger (rosenbergercrnp@icloud.com) with any questions!

· **Box Tops** – a year-long program, so don't forget to keep bringing them in. They are slowly phasing out the physical box tops, so please download the app and scan your receipts. You can also link your ShopRite card to a school of your choosing.

As families age out and move on from Trinity, we look to new families to step up and help take on some of the responsibilities. The positions listed below are what we're looking to fill for the 2020-2021 school year. Please contact Cari Santiago if you want more information or have any questions!

Vice-President - Responsibilities include coming to Board Meetings every other month during the school year, providing general support to the parents' club and President, and coming to the end of the year Teacher's Luncheon.

Scholastic Book Fair Chair – Responsibilities include ordering the books, coordinating with volunteers throughout the week, and then closing it out. Please feel free to speak with either Cari Santiago or Colleen Castle (Castle.colleen@gmail.com) who chaired this previously.

Winter Fundraiser - This is probably our most low key fundraiser. It takes place in January or February and the actual product or experience changes every year. Kristen Callihan has been in charge of this for the past few years, so please feel free to reach out to her or Cari Santiago with any questions.

As always, Thank You! for your support, we can't do any of this without you!

Cari Santiago, Parents' Club President (TCDSPCPresident@gmail.com)

Colleen Castle, Parents' Club Vice-President

Brian Johnson, Parents' Club Treasurer



BUNDLE UP WITH BOX TOPS

