

CHILDREN'S HOUSE CHATTER

Friday, April 16, 2010.

CLASS PICTURES will be taken on Wednesday, April 21 at 9:00am. This is for group pictures only – individual pictures will be taken in October.

PTO SCHOOL PICNIC Don't forget to make your reservations for the school picnic on Saturday, April 24 11:00am. Our PTO is providing food, drinks, tables & chairs. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

TRIKE-A-THON (for St. Jude's Hospital)

THURSDAY, APRIL 22.

Only a few parents have turned in forms for this event. This is for a very good cause, and the children will have fun. They are looking forward to bring their tricycles to school. PLEASE hand in forms by Tuesday, April 20 so that we will have enough prizes for all entrants!

SUMMER SCHOOL 2010 starts on Tuesday, June 1. If your child will attend summer school at any time during the months of June/July/August, please fill out the registration form and return it to school as soon as possible. Thank you.

UPSTAIRS CLASSROOM Congratulations to the Juretschko family on the birth of Eva Athena on April 10. Benjamin is now a big brother! We have been practicing for our end-of-the-year Play. (More information later.)

DOWNSTAIRS TODDLER CLASS This week the children have been enjoying the beautiful spring weather and observing the leaves as they begin to shade our playground. Next week we will plant flowers in our garden and various pots around the school. If you have any vegetable/flower seeds or left-over plants or cuttings, we would love to have them. Any other gardening items would also be appreciated! The children love to dig and play in the dirt, and planting seeds and watching them turn into flowers and vegetables will be rewarding and a great life lesson.

DOWNSTAIRS CLASS We would like to welcome two new students to our class – Maddie Reyes is new to the school and Sean Morello just graduated from the Toddler Class.

Some of the children have been learning the names of the different fins on fish. They are learning about dorsal fins, ventral, caudal, pelvic, and pectoral fins. Children of this age love learning “big words”. Resist the temptation to simplify vocabulary for your children. They are able to retain more information that you would think!

JUNIOR ELEMENTARY CLASS The Juniors have continued their animal research this week, studying desert, grassland, ocean, pond, river, savanna and forest animals and their homes.

Your 2nd & 3rd year Juniors are testing off their spelling lists and they may have a list of less than 15-16 words. Their next test will be oral. The 1st year Juniors still have their photocopy list. Theirs will be a written test. Our next test will be Friday, April 23.

Please have your Science Fair Project ready to bring to school on Monday, April 26. Send enough materials for your Junior to perform the experiment five times. Our Science Fair for parents is on Tuesday, April 27 at 6:00pm in our classrooms. Thank-you parents for a 100% response to signing up for parent/teacher conferences!

OUTSIDE CLASSROOM As the weather becomes warmer, please send some sunscreen to school for your child. Be sure to label it with his/her name. Also, please see that your child wears protective shoes to school – no open-toed sandals or flip-flops.