



Tiny Tales



TRINITY CHURCH DAY SCHOOL

MAY 2014

FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK:

Dear Parents,

I blinked my eyes and we went from snow angels to summer plans. Someone needs to remind Mother Nature about the change of seasons! What an incredible year we have had here at Trinity. In just a few short weeks a new crop of graduates will head off to kindergarten. We are confident that they are ready to spread their wings - though it will be sad to see them go.

Before our final goodbyes I would like to take a moment to say thank you to our outstanding Parents' Club officers, Jessica Brown, Lauren Cullison and Laura Geesamen. Their tireless efforts helped to make this a successful year for our Parents' Club and in turn for the school. Thanks to all who chaired the fundraisers this year: Marisa Kleinschmidt for the Joe Corbi's fundraiser, Kimberly Frye-Vitale for the Spaghetti Dinner, Christy McDonough for the Scholastic Book Fair, Shannon Menapace for BoxTops for Education, Meg and Steve Creamer and Amanda and Shawn McClure for the Bull and Oyster Roast, and Jen Collins for Artware. We are so incredibly fortunate to have such a wonderful team of parents!

May is a very busy month here at Trinity. Spring conferences will take place on Monday, May 5th. School will be closed for all of our students, but our Extended Day program will be open for any child that needs care that day from 9 am to 3 pm. If you need child care on Monday, May 5th a sign-up sheet is posted on the Extended Day bulletin board in the lobby. We need to know the number of children that will be attending in order to schedule staffing.

Our four year old classes will participate in hearing and vision screenings on May 1st and 2nd. You should have already received a consent form. If you would like to have a younger child tested, please stop by the office for a form. The children will be showcasing their talents at the spring musicals on May 7th and 8th. It will be a performance to remember.

Trinity Church is hosting their annual Country Fair on Saturday, May 17th. The Day School is running the *Children's Corner* from 10am until 3pm. It is a great family fun day. There is delicious food, crafts, a plant sale, games for the children and much more. Check the school bulletin board for more details.

All TCDS families are welcome to attend Trinity Church on May 4th at the 10am service. 'Trinity Sunday' is a wonderful way for students to share their chapel experience with parents and older siblings. Another very special event this month will take place on Wednesday, May 28th. Dr. Fran will lead a special chapel service at 9:30 am for all of our four-year-olds that will be leaving Trinity and going on to "big school" in the fall. The children will be singing some of their favorite songs and at the end of chapel they will all receive a certificate of congratulations from the school. (Cont.)

From the Director's Desk (Cont.)

We still have a few openings left in our program for next year. Please spread the word to friends and neighbors who might be looking for a preschool. Again, I would encourage the parents of the children coming into the four-year-old program next year to consider the afternoon Enrichment class, where the focus is enhancing social studies and science themes. The transition, especially for those children enrolled in the three-day program, to five full days the following year can be overwhelming. Those three additional afternoons will enhance your child's language and reading readiness skills necessary to meet Kindergarten with success. The last day for the Enrichment Program this year is Friday, May 23rd. We are looking for a qualified teacher for our Monday, "Mommy and Me" two year old program as well as an assistant in the three year old classes on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Please see me if you, or anyone you know would be interested in joining the Trinity family.

There are still spaces in our Summer Nature Program. Remember the savings coupon expires May 1. You can check the posted lists in the school lobby for availability. Last year the children enjoyed themselves immensely. Consider giving your child an extra week at Trinity this summer to socialize with old friends, make new ones, and learn all about the world of animals.

Please check at home and make sure all overdue library books have been returned to school by the first week of May. I would like to say thank you to Mrs. Pat Schwartz, our volunteer librarian. She is the embodiment of *kind and loving* and has been so generous in sharing her love of reading with the children (and staff) and her time and attention to the upkeep of the library. We thank you so much Mrs. Pat!!

Friday, **May 23 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 balances from previous months be paid ASAP and that you pay for services the day that you use them. **Beginning May 5 anyone using Extended Day must pay the day they attend. After May 12 anyone with an unpaid balance will not be able to participate in the program. The week of May 19, Extended Day is for contracted children only.**

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 the 2014-2015 school year.

All the Best,
Lizzie



FROM OUR RECTOR:

I can't believe we have already reached the last month of the school year! It seems like only yesterday that we were learning how to "do chapel." Now it's almost time to say "Have a great summer" to all my new friends. Before we scatter for the summer, there remain a few more special times we can share.

Sunday, May 4, Trinity will host our annual TCDS Sunday. We invite you to worship with us at the 10 a.m. service and all the Day School children will be invited forward for the Offertory Anthem. Ms. Sue Cusick will lead the children in songs they learned for Easter Chapel. During the coffee hour we will have special treats for Day School children in attendance.

Saturday, May 17, Trinity will hold its annual Country Fair. Great food, games, moon bounce, face painting, used book sale, live, craft vendors, and flea market table guarantee a day of fun for the whole family. As I have for the last several years, I plan to tie balloon animals for the kids. I hope to see all my friends having a great time.

Finally, as the school year draws to a close and you make summer plans for your families, remember that every day brings opportunities to learn something new. Enjoy the quality time the slower pace of summer permits. Have fun with each other. After all, the most important things in life are not school or church or work, but relationships; and the most important relationships are those in our families.

Dr. Fran

EXTENDED DAY NEWS

From April showers to May flowers! We have just one short month before we wish everyone a fun and safe summer. For now, we have lots to do—animal, bugs and flower crafts and lots of outdoor play under the warm sun.



Our end of the year farewell party will be on Friday, May 16th. Sign up to join us. We look forward to seeing you! Ms. Vicky, Ms. Sydney and Mrs. B.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES to our friends celebrating birthdays in **May:**

Mrs. Pat Schwartz, Blake Johnson, Molly Creamer, Lucas Broomell, Mia Gorman, Owen Myers, CJ

Sandstrom, Mrs. Jamie Ginski, Grace Favreau, Kai Geesaman, and Lucy Minoglio.

And.... To our Trinity friends celebrating summer birthdays....

June: Ms. Sue Cusick, Clare Maher, Natalie Seiler, Olsen King, Lucas Pauliukonis, Reagan McDonough, Ms. Sydney Price, Griffin Weber, Andrew Hauser, Liam Runk, and Gus Stange-Treager

July: Orion Kleinschmidt, Reese Miller, Madelyn Belbot, Tripp Owens, Jacob Cloman, Katherine DiRocco, Kenley Brown, Henry Latimer and Will Kane

August: Chloe Lauer, Finley Gainey, Nathan Teufel, Douglas Collins, Victor John Minoglio, Brennan Taylor, Emma Taylor, Mack Mulqueen, Lauren Koors, Anna Voxakis, Mrs. Kira Gainey, John Anderson, and Kieran McNulty.

Music Notes

May 2014

In April, the 3's and 4's classes rehearsed songs for Easter Chapel and the spring musical. The 2's classes learned songs and dances about springtime, Easter eggs and bunnies.

In May, the children will continue learning songs about spring...rain, thunder, caterpillars, butterflies, spiders... and finish the school year with favorite songs and activities, such as the parachute, freeze marching with rhythm instruments, and musical games with balls, sticks, hoops or bean bags. The 4's will be rehearsing songs for their special closing Chapel program.

As you can see from this schedule, May will be very busy and filled with music!



Sunday, May 4: All of our Trinity Church Day School families are invited to Trinity Church's 10 a.m. service. The three and four year olds will be representing the School and singing two hymns. I invite all the children to come and sing with me!



All the classes, except the 2's, have been rehearsing for our spring musical, **Trinity's Musical Calendar!** Mark your calendars and plan to join us. The children have worked hard and are proudly looking forward to performing for you!

Wednesday, May 7	9:30 a.m.	Ms. Jamie's Class
	11:15 a.m.	Ms. Kim's & Ms. Nicole's Classes
Thursday, May 8	9:30 a.m.	Ms. Kelley Jo's Class
	11:15 a.m.	Ms. Kim's and Ms. Pam's Classes



4's Special Chapel:

Wednesday, May 28, at 9:30 a.m.
(revised date and time)

I look forward to seeing many of you during the programs in May. I have truly enjoyed working with your children this school year, and I hope you have a safe, relaxing, and enjoyable summer vacation!

Musically,
Ms. Sue

Hey Kids!
What are you doing this summer?
Join us for

TRINITY SUMMER NATURE PROGRAM
"AMAZING ANIMAL ADVENTURES"

Trinity's summer nature program is the place to be this summer. We will have fun in the meadow, play games, make crafts, sing songs, go on nature walks, have water fun, listen to Bible stories and participate in science and nature centers.

Each week will feature a different theme:

- June 2 - June 6: Dinosaur Days
- June 9 - June 13: Let's Get Buggy!
- June 16 - June 20: Under the Sea
- June 23 - June 27: Who Lives in the Rainforest?



Ages 3—6

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Aftercare available until 4 p.m. (June 2—13)

Applications available in the school lobby or on our website

Trinity Church Country Fair



May 17th
8 am - 3 pm

Craft Vendors
Flea Market
Plants & Flowers
Bake Table
Used Books, CDs & DVDs
Homemade Pulled Pork
Lemon Sticks

Fun for the kids, too!

Face Painting, Moon Bounce and more.

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www.trinitychurchlonggreen.org
Visit us on Facebook: Trinity Church Long Green

\$20 Vendor space still available!
Contact Michelle at (410) 203-2131

PARENTS' CLUB NEWS

Dear Parents,

The school year is quickly coming to a close. This is my last Tiny Tales, and I have a lot to say.

The totals are just about in and it looks like the Bull Roast brought in over \$16,000...very impressive!

The Trinity Country Fair is Saturday, May 17th. The Parents' Club will be hosting the "Children's Corner" complete with Moon Bounce, games, face painting and prizes. We will be in need of volunteers to help man the games, the prize table, etc.. Please consider volunteering an hour of your time. Sign up sheets will be posted on the Parents' Club bulletin board next week, or contact Erick Gibbons or myself for more information. Many thanks to ABC Rental/Rosedale for their donations to the Children's Corner.

We are in the process of trying to have another restaurant night, please keep your eye out for that information. Hope to see you there.

The Parents' Club is considering having a yard sale this summer. If you would be interested, please let me, or the office know.

We are looking for chairs for many of next year's events. Kim Vitale and Jenifer Pauliukonis will be chairing the Spaghetti Dinner. Shawn and Amanda McClure and Steve and Meg Creamer have volunteered to chair the Spring Event. Chairpersons are needed for our Fall Fundraiser, Scholastic Book Fair, Santa's Workshop, Restaurant Nights, ArtWare, Country Fair Children's Corner and BoxTops for Education. Please consider chairing or co-chairing an event and contact me if you are interested.

I would like to thank each and every one of you for helping the Parents' Club have such a successful year! I really loved being President this year, and that is thanks to you. Thank you to all of our fantastic chairs, and volunteers for all of your time and efforts. I enjoyed working with all of you. Thank you to all of our room parents, and everyone who attended an event, bought or donated something this year. Thank you to Lizzie and the entire TCDS staff for your cooperation with the Parents' Club, and your dedication to TCDS and our children. A huge thank you to my counter parts, Lauren Cullison, and Laura Geesaman, I truly had fun working with you, and I'm grateful for all of your efforts! On that note, I would like to announce our PC officers for next year:

Elizabeth Miller, President

Jessica Brown, Vice President

Jennifer Collins, Treasurer

Finally, I would like to thank Martha. Thank you for all of your wisdom, guidance and friendship. I know I speak for all the TCDS families, past and present when I say, we will miss you, and wish you a wonderful retirement!

Thank you all for a great year!

Jessica Brown, Parents' Club President

