

JUNE 2014

We are now just 3 weeks away from the close of our 2013-14 school year, which is hard to believe, the year passed by so quickly. We have had a most fun and successful year at our preschool. As we approach the summer months we are filling all classes for fall...YES!

As we wind down our school year, we observe the usual growth and development in the children. They begin developing into the next stage of this preschool experience. Some who have turned 5 years are now moving past preschool and ready for Kinder. What a joy, and a teacher's sense of accomplishment to see all these transformations take place! Everything is non-stop between now and the end of June.

Our KPPA have been very successful this year and have brought in enough funds to help purchase numerous new classroom items and equipment for the preschool totaling several thousand dollars. We are extremely grateful to our KPPA for all their efforts in supporting the school as they do each year. They also supported our teaching staff by giving each of us a generous monetary gift in recognition of Teacher Appreciation Week. Because of the KPPA dedication we are now making plans to re-surface our large playground this summer. Future plans include a re-design of our 2's playground. Funds from prior as well as recent successful fundraisers have made this possible. Our KPPA continue to be a great source of help and support in various areas of our wonderful preschool.

The school continues twice a month with our Munchkin Music Program and monthly Chapel Time with Pastor Darryl. We have enjoyed our Back to School Pizza Dinner, a trip to the Pumpkin Patch, Preschool Sunday, Halloween Carnival, Santa visit, Caroling in Kensington, SeaWorld, a visit from the Burn Institute, Easter Egg Hunt, A night out for parents at our annual Gala fundraiser, Family Picnic in the Park, a walk to the Community Library on Adams Ave. for story time. We have continued our popular Lunch Bunch and Stay & Play programs with ages 3, 4 and 5 years. Our annual Open House/Scholastic Book Fair and Bake sale, family dinners out, as well as our end of the year Gala will end our fundraising for this school year. Our last day of school will be June 13. On that evening, we will say farewell to several families moving upward and onward to Kindergartens all over our community. We will celebrate with an exciting finish, the 4's Grad night. Summer School begins the following Tuesday for one month. We then close for the remainder of the summer months. We will resume classes for the 2014-15 school year on September 8<sup>th</sup>.

Until September, may the warm lazy, days of summer bring rest and renewal to all!

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