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GARGACH Newsletter



March 2014



Registration Packet Distribution

Registration for the 2014-2015 school year will begin in March. Most of our planning for next year will depend on student enrollment figures that are determined by the registration process. Please follow the details for your registration appointment day as follows: Purple to Red, March 25, Red to Pre-K, March 26, Pre-K to KG, March 27. The school urges parents to be attentive to this important matter and **promptly return the forms & fees on or before the assigned date.**



Kindergarten Report Cards & Open House for all classes

PIP

On Friday the 21st of February Kindergarten class, and the Preschool had an Open House & Orientation. At that time, report cards of KG students were distributed. This was the time for parents of all students to touch base with their child's teachers, to tour next year's classroom and to meet next year's teachers. Your attendance was extremely important as your child's current teachers gave a presentation and then parents went to their child's next year classroom to meet the teachers and learn about what to expect and how you can help your child prepare for the upcoming school year. Parents of Kindergarteners were strongly encouraged to attend as future plans and curriculum for the remainder of the year were discussed.



Parekentan, the Great Eve of Lent

The school will celebrate this special day on the 3rd. Teachers will discuss the importance in Armenian history and students will eat a very cultural food, Harissa for lunch.



Dr. Seuss' Birthday

Special activities will take place on Monday the 3rd in celebration of Dr. Seuss' birthday. Dr. Seuss has provided children with the opportunity to use their imagination while learning a moral lesson.



Cookie Dough Fundraising

From February 18 - March 4, our school is hosting a cookie dough fundraiser. Order forms due on Tuesday March 4. Please support the school and sell, sell, sell.



Bake Sale

The first Wednesday of every month we have a "Bake Sale" for the students. Each student purchases his/her breakfast for \$1.00 a piece (*please remember to send the money with your child*).



Community Tea Party

Tavlian Preschool will host its 17th annual Community Tea Party on Thursday the 6th at 8:00 p.m. The focus of the event is to offer an annual social event; it provides an opportunity for committee members, board members, the PTSC, parishioners, alumni, community members, faculty and staff to share a lovely evening. In addition, raffle winners will be chosen.



CPR Class for Teachers

Our beloved teachers will be renewing their CPR certification on Saturday March 8.



with Grandma Tina

Grandma Tina will be talking and reading to the students all about Birds. Thanks for spending time with students! They love their interaction with Grandma Tina.



Spring Forward...Daylight Savings

Don't forget to put your clocks ahead 1 hour on the evening of the 8th so that in the morning, you wake up to the correct time. Spring begins March 20!



Mad Science

On Wednesday the 12th, our Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten students will participate in an in-house enrichment program. The Mad Science program is an interactive, hands-on learning experience whereby the students enjoy demonstrations and perform simple experiments.



"Good Food" Market Shopping Excursion

Our Pre-K students will take a trip to "Good Food" Market on Tuesday the 18th. Our little consumers will have \$5 on hand to spend on their items of choice. The purpose of this field trip is to teach our students about math and making nutritious choices.



Visit to Western Prelacy

On Thursday the 20th, Pre-K and KG will take a trip to the Western Prelacy. They will tour the various rooms, go to the chapel and pray, as well as sing for the Serpazan. This is a wonderful opportunity for the kids to be exposed to an element of the Armenian culture and religion.



Hatz Banir Night



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Join us on Friday the 21st at 6:30 p.m. for our traditional story reading and "hatz banir" evening. **This will be the best event ever with Or. Lilit and her puppets!**



CHUCK E. CHEESE'S School Fundraiser

On Tuesday March 25, from 3-9 p.m., we will be hosting a fundraiser at Chuck E. Cheeses, Hastings Ranch. Make sure to stop by, have some pizza and play some games. Kids will have a blast while supporting their school. Invite your friends!



Michink Food Sale

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We will celebrate "Michink" or the middle of the Lenten season with traditional Lenten foods. The kata will have a foil-wrapped coin hidden inside the pastry; whoever gets the slice with the coin in it is said to receive good luck! *The bake sale will be held on March 26 for the Michink. In addition, the PTSC will be selling baki kufte and sarma on Wednesday the 26th. Special thanks to Ung. Janet Derderian and Ung. Mari Terterian for hand making and donating the sarma and kufte.*



Lunch Box Day

On Thursday the 27th, please pack and send a nutritious lunch for your child in his/her favorite lunch box. Please keep in mind to avoid items with berries and nuts, as they pose a serious health risk to some students.



Each day the teachers interact with each of our children in a very unique way. As we all know, *kids say and do the darnedest things!* The teachers thought it would be fun to share a funny story each month with the parents. Enjoy!

This month in red class, when it was time to get ready for lunch, the teacher asked the students, "how do we wash our hands"? One student replied, "I'll tell you when I grow up".



DONATIONS Received...

Thank you for your thoughtful contributions; your generosity is greatly appreciated. If anyone would like to sponsor a bake sale, kindly inform the school's office. We would like to extend our gratitude for the following recent donations to:

- Jebian Family (Chloe-Red) Bake sale for the whole school
- Nahapetian Family (Ella-Purple) Lunch for class
- Kalayedjian Family (Daron-Purple) 1 box of pita bread
- Toutoumnjian Family (Arianna-Purple) Lunch for class
- Alexanians Family (Daron-KG) Lunch for class
- Garabedian Family (Raffi-Red) Lunch for class

Box Tops For Education



We sincerely thank all of the parents and students who submit box tops!!! Please continue to collect and turn them in to your child's teacher at the end of every month.



Parent Involvement Reminder

Don't forget to complete your family's PIP requirement of 20 hours before the end of the school year. For questions about the program, you can contact the PIP Coordinator Maral Arslanian (Lucine's mom-KG) at pip@tavlianpreschool.org. Each month's tuition invoice will reflect your current PIP balance.



Parent Support Committee

-Wednesday March 12 and Thursday March 27

Meetings are held in the school's office at 8:30 p.m. We encourage all parents to join and bring ideas and suggestions. Your participation is appreciated!



Happy St. Patrick's Day

-Monday the 17th



Birthday Celebrations

- Thursday the 27th

Students with a birthday in March will collectively celebrate their birthdays with their classmates. Parents are encouraged to view the festivities as the children sing "Happy Birthday" and eat their own cake made from scratch. Please ask your child's teacher for details.



School Closed

Friday March 7- Staff Development



Sharing Days

Students are allowed to bring a book to school on the first Friday of the month. The following Fridays they are allowed to bring either a book or a toy to share with their classmates. Please label your child's items.



April 12th - Easter Brunch at the Altadena Country Club. More details to follow.

Mothers Day Seed Planting with Grandmas-

Purple -Tuesday May 6 at 10 a.m. Red -Wednesday May 7 at 10 a.m.

KG -Thursday May 8 at 10 a.m. Pre-K - Friday May 9 at 10 a.m.

June 1st - Kindergarten graduation. The event will take place at in Pasadena at Lake Ave. Church.

You can read the "Gargach Newsletter" online on our school's website:

<http://www.tavlianpreschool.org/>



We welcome your suggestions, feedback and questions.

You may send emails to Director@TavlianPreschool.org

For questions regarding the PIP program , email

pip@TavlianPreschool.org

Happy Spring!

Courtney Maglio-Boyadjian (mother of Nicholas - KG)

Parent Support Committee

