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GARGACH Newsletter



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Registration Packet Distribution

Registration for the 2015-2016 school years will begin in March. Distribution of the packets will be the first week of March by email. **Please print, fill out, sign and return to the office at your designated time.** Most of our planning for next year will depend on student enrollment figures that are determined by the registration process. Registration for Purple going to Red is due March 24th. Registration for Red going to Pre-K is due March 25th. Registration for Pre-K going to KG is due March 26th. Therefore, the school urges parents to be attentive to this important matter and **promptly return the forms & fees on or before the assigned date.**



Open House Orientation for Preschool's and new parents **PIP**

On Friday the 20th of February the Preschool had an Open House Orientation. 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 30-45 minute presentation and then parents went to their child's next year classroom to meet the teachers and received a 30-45 minute presentation about what to expect and how they could help their child prepare for the upcoming school year. Thank you for all who came and participated.

Director's corner,

I would like to proudly announce the results of NAEYC family surveys. Once again we did it. We got %99, 02 out of %100. Thank you for believing and trusting us. You are most than welcome to come to my office and to see the survey forms. Remember that my door is open to all suggestions and constructive criticism.



Parekentan, the Great Eve of Lent

Three important cultural events were celebrated at the school © Vartanantz, Tiarendarach & Parekentan. Teachers prepared the cultural foods Anoush about & Harissa for lunch and for sale. Father Boghos talked to the students about our cultural and religious events of February.



Storytime with Grandma Tina

We had a lovely time with Grandma Tina. Thanks for spending time with the students. They love their interaction with Grandma Tina.



February is the African American month and Michael McCarthy the story teller was telling some African tales / fables to the kids whom were mesmerized by his stories.



Dr. Seuss' Birthday

Special activities will take place on Monday the 2nd 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 18th - March 3rd, our school is hosting a cookie dough fundraiser. Order forms are due on Tuesday March 3rd. 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 \$2.00 a piece (*please remember to send the money with your child*).



Community Tea Party

Tavlian Preschool will host its 18th annual Community "Tea Party" on Thursday the 5th at 8:00 p.m. The focus of the event is to acknowledge all donors of the "Legacy Map of Armenia"; it will also provide an opportunity for committee members, board members, the PTSC, parishioners, community members, faculty and staff to share a

lovely evening. In addition, raffle winners will be chosen. Please RSVP at the school office by February 25th!!



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. Let's get ready for spring, which begins on March 20th!!!



Mad Science

On Monday the 9th, 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.

Michink Food Sale



For the month of March, 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 10th & 11th for the Michink. In addition, the PTSC will be selling baki Kufte & Sarma. **Special thanks to ung. Janet Derderian and Ung. Mari Terterian for hand making and donating the sarma and kufte.**



"Good Food" Market Shopping Excursion

Our Pre-K students will take a trip to "Good Food" Market on Wednesday 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 Tuesday the 24th, 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.



Egg Painting

On Tuesday the 24th- Thursday the 26th, our entire student body will participate in coloring Easter eggs. Our students will turn regular hard-boiled eggs into colorful Easter decorations. Decorating Easter eggs is not only a tradition and creative outlet, but also an activity that will build your child's fine motor skills.



Prayer services

Rev. Father Boghos Baltayan will visit our school on Friday the 27th. Our students will participate in Prayer services.



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!

~ After prayer in the morning, the teachers asked the red group children to go out for breakfast. One of them said to her teacher: "But can't we sit and chitchat a little before eating? Please? "



Food sponsors

Hratch Khajikian Purple - Lunch
Alec Avazian KG - Lunch
Ella Nahapetian Red - Lunch
Vardan Besnelian KG -Lunch
Bake Sale - Oryort Seta Karaoghlanian
Harissa - Mrs Helen Manoucherians
Anoush Abour - Oryort Maral Kandoyan

We continue to seek sponsors for our monthly Bake Sales. If you are interested in contributing, kindly inform the school's office. Thank you to all for your contineous support. It is greatly appreciated!!!!

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 Taline Mardirosian (Kayla's mom-Pre-k) at pip@tavlianpreschool.org. Each month's tuition invoice will reflect your current PIP balance.



Dates to remember



Happy St. Patrick's Day

-Tuesday the 17th - Students and Teachers are asked to wear a green shirt or ribbon or pin or green socks to school on this day!!!!



Parent Support Committee

-Wednesday the 18th and Thursday the 26th

Meetings are held in the school's office at 8:00 p.m. We encourage all parents to join and bring ideas and suggestions. We will begin planning for the school's year-end carnival. Your participation is appreciated!



Birthday Celebrations

- Thursday the 19th

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 13th - Staff Development
(Friday 27th @11:45 a.m. Easter Vacation Begins)



March 20th - Comedy night (see flyer)

March 28th - Easter Brunch at the Altadena Country Club. More details to follow.

Please see flyer and support our school.



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.

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 you can also directly contact your teacher.

For information on joining PSC and getting involved please email

PSC@TavlianPreschool.org

For questions regarding the PIP program , email pip@TavlianPreschool.org

Happy Spring & Happy Easter!

Micheline Tcheubjian-Sepilian (mother of Nanar & Shant- KG/red)

Parent Support Committee

