St. Edmund's Nursery School MARCH NEWSLETTER – 2016



"Children think not of what is past, nor what is to come, but enjoy the present time, which few of us do." -Jean de La Bruyère

March brings us "Springtime" planting and the "Wonders of Nature," Community Helpers, St. Patrick's Day, and Open House

Color: Green Shape: Diamond Number: 7

Concept: High and Low

Wonders of Nature: Wind, plants, frogs, butterflies, etc

Christian Quality: *Honesty*

Bible Verse: God Created All Things - Ephesians 3:9

Important Dates:

Thurs., March 10 - Disaster Drill Fri., March 11 - Disaster Drill

Tues., March 15 - OPEN HOUSE - 5:30 to 6:30 pm

Thurs., March 17 - St. Patrick Day Celebration, T/Th, 5 Day and Pre-K Classes –

Remember to wear green

Fri., March 18 - Scrip orders due today!

Wed., March 23
 Easter Egg Hunt – MWF and 5 Day Classes – No Picnic
 Easter Egg Hunt – T/Th and Pre-K Classes – No picnic

Fri., March 25 - Good Friday – NO SCHOOL Mon., Apr. 4 - Fri., Apr. 8 - Spring Break - NO SCHOOL Fri., April 29 - Parent Party! Save the date.

Conference Dates: – Mrs. Medeiros, Wednesday, April 13

Mrs. Westphal, Monday, May 2

Mrs. Westphal and Mrs. Elffers, Tuesday, May 3

Mrs. Doerning, Monday, May 9

Mrs. Doerning and Mrs. Toth, Tuesday, May 10

**Sign up sheets will be available at Open House

End of Year Celebration: Mrs. Medeiros & Mrs. Alietti's class – Mon., June 6 at 9:00 – Music Room

Graduation Dates: Mrs. Elffers & Mrs. Pegram's class – Wed., June 8 at 9:00

Mrs. Grimes & Mrs. Schraer 5 Day – Thurs., June 9 at 9:00 Mrs. Long & Mrs. DiBona, Pre K – Thurs., June 9 at 10:30

Summer School Dates: June 13-16, June 20-23, June 27-30

Summer School is the above listed dates – Monday – Thursday from 9-12pm

for 3 weeks....plan on joining us! It will be creative, fun and educational you won't want to miss out. More info to come.

PICNIC NEWS:

- Thursday, March 3 Lunch is on us! We will provide hot dogs, chips, fruit and a drink
 No extra charge
- Wednesday, March 9th Special Science Picnic hosted by Mrs. Norman and Mrs. Wagner
- Thursday, March 17th Special "Green Picnic"
- No picnic March 23rd and 24th due to Easter Egg hunt and celebrations.

Please remember, payment must be made at the time of sign up. Picnic hours are from 12:15 - 2:45. We greatly appreciate your effort to pick up on time. See you at picnic!

THANK YOU's:

• Thank you to <u>Erin McCarthy</u> for organizing the <u>Scrip Orders!</u> Thank you to all the families that have participated in this fundraiser. Please contact Erin if you are unsure if you have met your \$300 required purchases. Thank you for your continued support!

REMINDERS:

- When the children bring home their artwork, remember that the process of how they do their art is far more important than a perfect product. It is very important to them, so please try to find a special place in your home to display it.
- Remember, Open House on March 15th is for the whole family! We look forward to seeing you there.
- The **Parent Party is Friday, April 29th** and there is plenty of opportunity to help! Contact the Parent Party Chair, **Laura Repstad** at laurarepstad@gmail.com for more information. Thank you for helping out!
- Please check lost and found inside of the red door.
- Please keep our morning arrival parking lot safe. If you see someone going the wrong way, kindly show them the correct path to enter and exit the parking lot. Just a reminder, in the north parking lot there are two driveways. The northern most driveway is for entering the lot and the southern driveway is for exiting. Please be sure to follow these rules in order for all to be safe.

Dependent Care Tax Credit or Flexible Spending - Opportunity

Did you know that the tuition you pay at St. Edmund's Nursery School may qualify for the child and dependent care tax credit? Did you also know that if your employer has a Dependent Care Flexible Spending Account program you can set aside a portion of your paycheck tax free to pay for dependent care expenses (e.g. nursery school tuition)? We're educators, not CPAs, so please speak to your CPA and/or your employer to determine if you qualify for these potential tax savings.



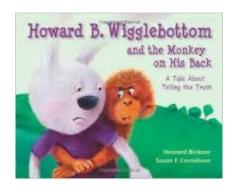


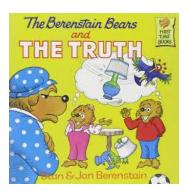
Honesty is the Christian quality of the month for March. We remind ourselves and our children that honesty is always the best policy. Honesty shows bravery, grace and integrity.

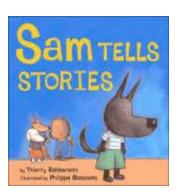
"If you tell the truth, you don't have to remember anything." – Mark Twain "Honesty and transparency make you vulnerable. Be honest and transparent any way." – Mother Teresa

Recommended Reading for Children:

- 1.) Howard B. Wigglebottom and the monkey on his back by Howard Binkow
- 2.) The Berenstain Bears and the truth by Stan and Jan Berenstain
- 3.) Sam Tells Stories by Thierry Robberecht







All books are available for purchase at Amazon.com. Please purchase Scrip at SENS and a portion of the sale goes back to our school. Thank you!

Nurmay Christian Academy Updates:

We thought you would like to know that SENS will be sponsoring a young child at the Nurmay Christian Academy. We are thrilled and honored to be able to do this for this beautiful little girl named Sharon who is just four years old. The letter attached is what we received from Christa Muanica, the Director for the Academy, and it provides some useful information about how to follow what is happening there. Please be sure to take a peek at what they are doing when you have a chance.

Dear Darlene and St. Edmund's Board,

I just got the news that the SENS Board voted unanimously to sponsor a child! How wonderful!! Thank you so much and welcome to the team!

School has been in session for almost 2 months now and we are thrilled with what God is doing both in the school and the community. It's an amazing ministry opportunity, not only to the kids but the families as well. Thank you so much for making a difference in the lives of these children and their families.

We have a number of ways that we keep in touch with our sponsors- primarily email and Facebook. Please feel free to pass along this address and my personal Facebook (Christa Muanica) as well as the Nurmay Christian Academy Facebook page to parents and/or board members. We post pictures and updates several times per week so it's an excellent way to keep in touch for those who have Facebook. Also, please send email addresses for anyone that would like to receive the newsletters and updates by email.

I am attaching some pictures of the child I have chosen for you. Her name is Sharon and she is 4 years old. Again, thank you so much and God bless! Together we will make a difference! Serving Him,

Christa Muanica

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