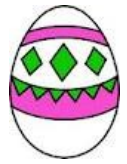




The Honor Roll School Early Childhood Express April 2016



April 4, 2016

"If a child lives with encouragement, he learns to be confident"- Dorothy Law Nolte

Dear Parents,

I cannot believe how quickly this school year is whizzing by. Suddenly it is already April and in eight weeks our 2015-16 school year will come to an end and our summer fun camps and classes will begin. Two long months of summer is when children forget many of the things they have learned through the year, so enrolling in our summer program for a month or the whole summer is a great way of keeping our students busy having fun and learning at the same time.

Bring a friend to Camp: We have ten weeks of camps for students enrolled in K through 8th grade. We welcome students from area schools for the weekly camps and the monthly Power K enrichment program, which focuses on curriculum and enrichment for June and July. **Please go to our website** and check out all the wonderful activities planned for our camps. Power TK is an enrichment program for students who will attend TK in the fall. Registration forms for Power K and Power TK have already been sent home and are due by **May 2, 2016**. Please stop by the front desk if you need a registration form.

Celebrations:

Week of the Young Child: Every year we look forward to the Week of the Young Child where we celebrate our beautiful children. This year the week-long celebration falls on April 11-15. The Week of the Young Child was established in 1971 by NAEYC (National Association for the Education of Young Children) to focus attention on the needs of young children and recognizing the importance of early childhood education. Our theme for WOTC this year is, **"Me and My Garden of Friends"**. We will plant seeds and grow a garden with our friends and learn about taking care of plants. This will also tie in with our Earth Day celebration on **April 21**.

TK Graduation: Our TK graduation will take place on **May 18 for TK 1, 4, 5 and May 19 for TK 2,3,6 @ 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. in the Dining Room.**

Trike-a-thon: Our **trike-a-thon for St. Jude Children's Hospital** will take place during the week of the Young Child. As you may know, it is a research hospital treating some of the sickest children battling cancer and other deadly diseases. Families going through this receive free care for treatment, housing and food. Your donation will help St. Jude continue their lifesaving mission of finding cures and saving lives of young children. **All donations are due by April 22, and online donations can be made at <http://fundraising.stjude.org/thrs>**

For the trike-a-thon, children can bring their own bikes to school or ride one of our trikes. The schedule for riding the trikes is as follows:

- April 12 – Toddler 1 & 2**
- April 13 – Pre-K 1, 2, 3**
- April 14 – TK 1, 2, 3**
- April 15 – TK 4, 5, 6**

Partners Luau: We are eagerly looking forward to our Partners' biggest annual Fundraiser, Festival of Friends Luau on **April 29**. Come, watch our children perform, participate in carnival games, bid on our silent auction, eat some delicious food and support our school. Our parent volunteers work very hard to raise money for our school so all of us, from ECP to Elementary and Middle School can benefit from it. We look forward to seeing all of you at this fun event.

Please see me or email me @ joy.dasgupta@nlcinc.com if you have any questions regarding our summer program and Kindergarten Camp at ECP. Camp questions for 1st – 8th grade should be addressed to Cinnamon Baldwin, Director of Student Affairs @ cinnamon.baldwin@nlcinc.com

Happy Spring and my warmest wishes to all of you.

Sincerely,

Joy Dasgupta
Early Childhood Principal

April Dates To

Remember

April

- 8** Parent / Teacher Conferences TK-8
No School - Holiday Care Available
- 11-15** St. Jude Children's Hospital Trike-a-Thon
- 21** Earth Day Celebration
- 29** Festival of Friends Fund Raiser

May

- 18** TK-1, TK-4 and TK-5 Graduation
- 19** TK-2, TK-3 and TK-6 Graduation