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May 2011

Calendar Notes



May 2-6: National Teacher Appreciation Week.

May 3: Hearing Screening: Pre-K, K, 2nd, 4th grades

May 9: Final payment for school year due.

May 25-26: St. Mary CDC Parent/Teacher Conferences by appointment.

May 20: Final Registration Packets go home to families enrolled for the 2010/2011 school year.

May 27: No School for St. Mark students. **St. Mary CDC school and child care open.**

May 30: No school or child care in observance of *Memorial Day*.

June 1: Final School Program, 7 PM.

June 10: Last day of school for St. Mary CDC. Last 1/2 day for St. Mark.

June 13: St. Mary and St. Mark Summer Camp begins.

June 30: \$25 credit earned for final registrations that are complete and turned in by this date.



St. Mary and St. Mark Spring Program



The Spring Program will take place on Wednesday, June 1 at 7 PM in St. Mary's church. Preschool through the fifth grade will present a program to entertain their families and other invited guests. A reception of cookies, munchies, and beverages will follow the recital. Each family is asked to donate items for the reception according to the chart below. Plan to attend this memorable family evening as we celebrate another successful school year.

Preschool and Pre-K: Please bring baked goods that **do not** require forks and spoons.



Kindergarten - 3rd Grades: Please bring fruits or veggies.



4th and 5th Grades: Please bring 1 gallon of water.



National Teachers Appreciation Week! May 2-6, 2011

Please take the opportunity this coming week to let your child's teacher know just how much you appreciate and are grateful for all the things she does for your child.



St. Mary CDC Parent/Teacher Conferences May 25-26

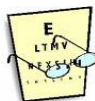
Parent/Teacher Conferences for St. Mary CDC will be held May 25-26 by appointment. Please be sure to sign up to meet with your child's teacher to discuss your child's progress at school.



Class Field Trips and Special Events

There are many field trips and special events planned for St. Mary and St. Mark students during these last weeks of school. **Be sure to mark your calendar after receiving information about field trips and special events from your child's teacher.** You will find this information in the classroom newsletter or it will be listed on the classroom's monthly or weekly calendar.

Vision and Hearing Screening Results



If your child has participated in a hearing or vision screening this year, the results will be sent home the first week of May. Be sure to keep these records as the vision screening results are required for kindergarten entrance.



Hot Lunch Fund Raiser -- Friday, May 13

Just Cater-it, the company who provides the meals for our hot lunch program, will sponsor a lunch fund raiser on Friday, May 13. Lunch will include spaghetti with meatballs, green beans, a fruit cup, rolls and milk. The meal will cost \$3.25 per person. Orders can be taken up to Friday morning, but payment must accompany your order. **St. Mary Moms and Dads:** Even if your child does not eat lunch at school, you can still participate. You can order a lunch for your child, and we will send it home with him/her – a much better alternative to stopping by a fast food place for lunch. **Just Cater-it** will give 100% of the proceeds from the meal to benefit our schools.



".....Her children rise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her." Proverbs 31:28

Happy Mother's Day to All Moms – May 8th



Please welcome to our schools:

Infants: Daniel Ibrahim. **Toddlers:** Dimyanna Ibrahim; **Pre-school:** Nikhil Bhasuru; **Pre-K:** Sharvayu Chavan.



Tea-m Angel Award: This month's Tea-m Angel Award goes to Elizabeth Pochert, lead teacher in the Toddler room. She has successfully helped the new babies in her room adapt to being away from mom and dad. Elizabeth is lovingly guiding the babies toward new discoveries and helping them feel secure in their new environment.

Bee-Attitude Winners for April 2011



St. Mary: : St. Mary: Mariam Dawoud, Olivia Bishay, Vaishvik Gilakattula, Nikhita Mahajan, Vishvaa Ravishankar.

St. Mark: Minerva Hanna, Joly Makram, Marco Mikhael, Hannah Malak, Gabriel Megally



Final Registration Packets

Final registration folders will come home on Friday, May 20 to students who have registered for the 2011/2012 school year. The registration forms must be completed

and submitted no later than Wednesday, August 3.

Remember, a \$25 tuition credit will be issued to families who complete their final registration packets and turn them in by Thursday, June 30.

All registration information must be complete, including immunization records, and returned by August 3 to avoid incurring a \$25 LATE REGISTRATION FEE.

The Final Registration Schedule is as follows:

- **August 4:** 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM
- **August 4:** 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM



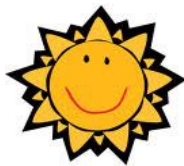
If you have not already enrolled your child for the upcoming school year or for summer camp, please do so as soon as possible to guarantee your child a spot. All students must re-enroll for summer camp and the 2011/2012 school year.

Summer Camp Registration



There are still openings for summer camp, which begins June 13 for St. Mary and St. Mark students.

New and exciting field trips and programs are being planned for this summer. Summer camp is sure to be great fun! Spaces are limited, so sign up soon.



Summer Camp Invoicing and Payments

Summer camp invoices will be in family mailboxes by Friday, May 13. **The tuition due dates** for Summer Camp Sessions I-III are as follows:

- **May 21 for Session I:** June 13 - July 8.
- **June 21 for Session II:** July 11 - Aug 5
- **July 21 for Session III:** Aug 8 - Sept 1

Bridge Books and Reading



In order to help your child retain the knowledge that he/she has learned this school year, we urge the parents of children who are entering kindergarten through 6th grade to purchase and use the summer bridge books that your child's teacher will mention in upcoming newsletters. Ten to fifteen minutes of drill and practice, along with ten to fifteen minutes of reading, is a formula for increased retention of knowledge and reading skills over the summer.

An explanation of St. Mark's summer reading program and incentives will be coming home from the St. Mark teachers.



No Sandals, Crocs or Clogs PLEASE!

Children must wear closed toe and closed heel shoes and socks to school. This is a school rule.



It is for your child's safety that we have this rule. Climbing on the playground equipment and running through the wood chips on the playground is done more safely and comfortably with closed toe and closed heel shoes. If your child wears sandals, crocs, or clogs to school, you will be asked to bring the appropriate footwear to school for your child.

Children without appropriate footwear will have to remain on the cement portion of the playground during recess. **Please keep this rule in mind when purchasing spring and summer shoes for your child.**



**Reminder:
No Parking in the Fire Lane**

Please park your car in a parking space rather than at the curb. The curb is a fire lane and bus drop-off zone. Thank you!

Box Tops for Education!



The last class count for the school year will be Tuesday, June 7. Thank you for supporting this program this year. Please continue to save Box Tops during the summer to be used in September.