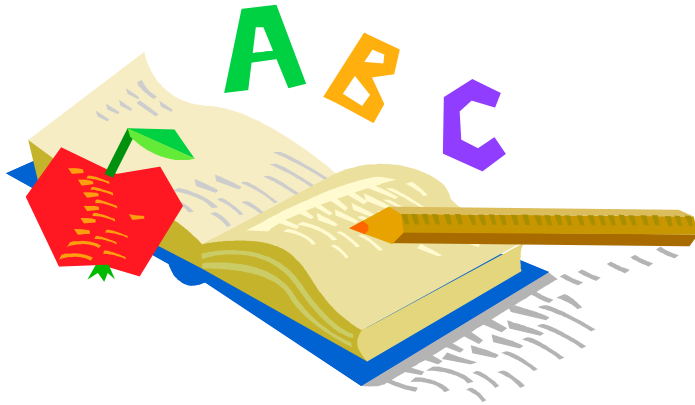


FUTURE FLYER



May 25, 2010

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As the 2009 – 2010 school year comes to an end, I am filled with a tremendous sense of gratitude. I am especially thankful for all the children who have been with us this year. Their smiles and laughter will be in my memory forever. I am very grateful to all of you for your support, encouragement, and concern, but most of all, I am thankful for the gift of your child. I am also so thankful for a wonderful staff. The teachers, aides, and Flyer Clubhouse staff have done a tremendous job in helping your child learn and grow. Thanks to all who made this school year a positive one.

Summer vacation is right around the corner. The most important thing to do this summer is to enjoy it! Childhood is such a special time, and unfortunately it is very short. Children need to experience and enjoy their childhoods. Summer is the perfect time to do this. Allow your child to play and play and play some more. Play is the work of childhood. Do things with your child and as a family. This is the time when you are building your family memories.

Summer is also the time when you can reinforce some of the learning that your child has gained from this school year. For some suggestions that may help your child use the skills he/she has developed, please see the suggestions on the next page.

I would like to wish all of you a very happy and enjoyable summer. I wish our kindergarteners the best in first grade. I hope to see them often when we visit the Elementary school. I also look forward to seeing the preschool children when they return in August.

Blessings to you and yours,
Cindy McLaughlin

Mark your calendars!

June 14 – 18: Vacation Bible School at the ECC. Please register your child.

August 5: Incoming Kindergarten children will return to school for the KRA-L test. Appointments have been made.

August 17: Parent Open house/Orientation. Preschool parent meeting will begin at 6:30; Kindergarten parents will meet at 7:30 at the ECC. We request parents only for this meeting.

Thank you!

Upcoming dates. . .

May 26: Kindergarten to attend all school Mass at St. Paul Church

May 27: All Preschool picnics: last day for preschoolers and last day for Flyer Clubhouse preschool room; last regular day for kindergarten

May 28: Kindergarten graduation

Summer Time Activities

Here are some suggestions that may help your child us the summer to continue his/her learning.

Religion – Take time to talk to your child about God. Summer is full of God’s gifts in nature.

Explore these; tale about them; praise and thank God. Pray with your child. Talk about the bible stories you know or read new ones to the.

Go to Mass as a family. This can be difficult for young ones; however, as kindergarteners, the children will be attending Mass after the first quarter. At Mass, sit up front where they can see and talk about parts of the Mass. Encourage them to sing. And remember to be patient.

Large Motor – Outdoor play helps to strengthen and develop large muscles by running, climbing, skipping, swimming, bike riding, playing catch, etc.

Fine Motor – Rainy day activates are good for fine mort skills. Encourage your child to cut, paste, sting beads, play with play dough, use pencils, crayons, sidewalk chalk, etc. Practice name writing and printing numbers and letters.

Reading readiness – Share books together and read, read, read to your child. Practice letter sounds. Perhaps you could write simple stories or put his/her thoughts into sentences. Play rhyming games. Identify opposites and position words.

Math – Sort, measure, and classify objects using household items. Count everything! Name shapes and talk about different sizes.

By making these activities into a game, your child can still have fun while learning. I hope you find these ideas helpful. Whatever you do over the summer will help to reinforce the skills your child will need for school. Have fun!

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Kindergarten Graduation Mass

Friday, May 28, 2010

Mass begins at 9:00 am

At St. Mary's Church

Conferring of diplomas will follow

Mass in the church.

Children will be dismissed to

Reynolds' Hall (gym) to perform a graduation song.

Refreshments to follow.

Everyone is welcome!

Thought for the week:

“Responsibility is crucial to the development of positive self-esteem. Children thrive from age-appropriate responsibility. Autonomy, self-reliance, and will power result when children make it a habit to fulfill responsibilities, accept accountability, and practice self-control.”

Dr. Patricia M. McCormack, IHM

