

# Notes from St. Anna's Room



September 2009



It's hard to believe that October is just around the corner already! We've been very busy in St. Anna's classroom, getting to know each other and getting used to our busy schedule.

Since the beginning of school, we've been studying helpers in our community, such as firefighters, doctors, and police officers. We were blessed to have a visit from Brian, a firefighter from the Brookline Fire Department, as well as a visit from Karekine (father of Chris) who used his skills as a dentist to teach us about how to care for our teeth.

We've also been learning about special Feast Days and Saints of the Church. We baked apple muffins to celebrate the name day of St. Euphrosynos the Cook, planted basil for the Feast of the Elevation of the Cross, and made garlands to represent the three daughters of St. Sophia: Faith, Hope and Love.

Each week at Theophany School brings a new letter for us to study. I can already see how students' recognition of letters, and especially recognition of their names, has been improving greatly over the past few weeks.

The month of October will bring many fun and exciting topics to learn about as we watch the leaves change. We'll be learning all about farms, with a special trip to Drumlin Farm (in Lincoln, MA) planned for later in the month. We'll also learn about the letters C, D, E, F and G.

Be sure to continue the day's learning at home by asking your child questions like:

*Who did you play with?*

*What is your special letter of the week?*

*What special project did you work on?*

*What did you do during center time?*

Please also keep in mind the three big rules we've been working on in school:

*Using kind words with our friends,*

*Keeping our bodies safe, and*

*Listening to our teachers.*

I'm so excited to keep learning with your child and to hearing from you. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me via the school email ([theophanyschool5@yahoo.com](mailto:theophanyschool5@yahoo.com)).

Joy and Blessings,  
Miss Emily

## **Reminders:**

- Parent Orientation is on 10/1 from 6:30-7:30 pm
- No school Monday, 10/12 for Columbus Day
- Half day on Wednesday, 10/21

## **Wish List:**

- Wet wipes
- Watercolor paints