



SEPTEMBER 2009 NOTES

Welcome to school! All of the children seem to be adjusting very well. We are off to a wonderfully full start. There are many exciting opportunities and programs coming up that we wanted to let you know about and a few reminders to begin the school year.

- ❖ **Drop-off & Pickup:** The doors to the building open at 8:30 am each morning. You may drop-off your child anytime between 8:30 and 9:00 am. Please call the school if your child will be absent or arriving late.
- ❖ On-time pickup is very important. Being even five minutes late can upset an anxious child or disrupt a teacher's schedule. Program pickup is at 12:00 pm, Lunch Bunch at 1:00 pm, and the PreK/K class and After School are 2:30 pm.
- ❖ Please remember each morning and afternoon to sign your child in and out on the sheet outside of your child's classroom. Please be sure to let your child's teacher know if anyone else from your pickup list will be picking up.

❖ **Upcoming Events:**

September 19th, 2009: Sonia's Run

This coming Saturday will be the 1st Annual Sonia's Run. I spoke at Orientation that volunteers for this morning are GREATLY needed. If you have a few hours on Saturday morning, please consider helping out. We will need volunteers for 8 am and anytime after that. Please see me or email the race coordinator, Danielle Warren @ danielle.a.warren@gmail.com

October 1st, 2009: Parent Curriculum Night

Wednesday at 6:30 pm - This open house will give you an opportunity to have a night out (without your children!) to learn about what your children are learning in their classrooms at Theophany. If you have any questions, feel free to speak with your child's teacher. We hope to see you then.

❖ **Scholastic Book Order:**

This is the first book order of the year. There are many great books available at a very reasonable cost to parents. Every parent order enables Theophany to receive books for FREE! Book orders are due back by Thursday, 9/24/09. Checks made payable to Scholastic Books (you may write 1 check for multiple orders) or log-on and place your order on-line at:

www.scholastic.com/parentordering

Class User Name: TheophanySchool

Password: school

❖ **Box Tops, Campbell Soup Labels & Printer Cartridges:**

I will be submitting a collection of Box Tops by the end of October. If you have any extras lying around at home, please bring them in between now and then. We will still collect Box Tops & Campbell Soup Labels for the rest of the year. The next Box Top Mailing will be in March 2010. Every box top is worth at least \$.10 if not more! Also, there is a container for used printer cartridges next to the cabinet in outside my office. Please dispose of your empty cartridges there. **-Volunteers Wanted- Please see me if you can help with counting & sorting!**

❖ **Dates to Remember:**

September 15th: 2nd Tuition payment is due!

September 16th: Lunch Bunch Program begins! Please remember to fill out a form and include payment.

September 17th: No Lunch Bunch or afternoon PreK/K class. Pickup for all children will be at 12:00pm. There will be a staff meeting.

September 28th: CLOSED – Yom Kippur

September 29th: The After School Program begins! Forms are available in your child's mailbox. If your child is attending, don't forget a pillow & blanket or sleeping bag for a short rest time!

October 1st: Parent Open House/Orientation 6:30-7:30 pm.

October 12th: NO SCHOOL – Columbus Day

❖ **2009-2010 Theophany Directory:**

I will be posting a copy of the new directory on the front bulletin board. Please take a minute to check your information, and please either make any necessary corrections, or initial it if it is fine. Once everyone has checked it, I will print a copy for each family.

❖ **Enrollment for 2009-2010**

There are 2 available slots available in the preschool classrooms. If you know anyone who may be interested and is looking for a 2-day slot (T/Th) please let me know!

❖ **Schedule for ½ Wednesdays (No extended day program)**

Dismissal at 12:00 pm for all students

9/23/09 10/21/09 12/23/09 1/27/10

2/24/10 3/17/10 5/19/10 6/3/10

❖ **Thursday 9/17 & Friday 9/18**

I mentioned to families during Orientation that I will be away on business this Thursday and Friday. I will be attending a board meeting for the Orthodox Schools Association in Wichita, KS. Elizabeth, Emily & Melissa will all be here and Michele Markatos from the Board of Trustees will be checking in both days here at the School. I will be accessible via email, and I will also be checking in with the teachers during the school day.

As always, if you have any questions, comments or concerns please feel free to see me. Thank you for all of your support. We appreciate it.