

WELCOME TO HILLIARD CITY PRESCHOOL

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September 2011

Dates to Remember:

Thurs. 9/1 – PTO meeting at 6:30

Fri. Sept. 2 – 9 - T-shirt Sale

Wed. Sept. 7 – Spirit Night at CiCi's Pizza 5-9 PM

Fri. Sept. 16 – 28 – Really Big Coloring Book Sale

Wed. Sept. 21 - Late Start – No AM Preschool.

Thurs. Sept. 29 – Market Day Pick-up 5:30 – 6:30

Tues. Oct. 4 – Picture day for 3 and 4 classes

Wed. Oct. 5 – Picture day for transition classes

Wed. Oct. 5 – Book Fair Begins

Mon. Oct. 10 – Curriculum Night 6:30 – 7:30 PM

Wed. Oct. 12 - Book Fair Ends

Fri. Oct. 21 – NO SCHOOL. Teacher conference day

FROM OUR DIRECTOR:

It has been a wonderful start to our Preschool year in the classroom. Your children have come in with a smile on their face and ready to learn / learn / learn!

We always try to keep things positive but this year we are making our positive words an official part of home and school. Each month we will share a positive phrase that will be reinforced in each classroom daily. We hope that you will make this part of your daily routine at home.

The September positive phrase, created by the Bortz's Bees is:

“YOU CAN DO IT”

Have a wonderful Labor Day Weekend. I am so proud of each and every one of your preschoolers!

PARKING

Unfortunately, there is no easy solution to our parking lot at preschool.

We have moved more staff to open up spots and you can continue to park on both sides of our building during pick up and drop off times.

PLEASE drive slowly and carefully for the safety of all our students and families. I appreciate your patience. The parking in the first two weeks of school is always the most challenging.

SHARON

Welcome to the 2011-12 school year!

Each month this newsletter is sent home to inform you of events in our preschool world, community events and to address your needs. To do that, please send me any questions, request for information and any great books you have read that you would like to see in our parent library. You can also use this space to ask for help with finding sitters, selling items you no longer need, finding car-pooling, etc. Just call or e-mail me:

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Information is also available to share by myself and parents on the SHARE BOARD located in the motor room across from the office. Please stop in periodically to check out the information. I will also pass information from the board to you through this newsletter.

This first newsletter is being sent home via your child's backpack. Future editions will be sent via e-news so be sure to sign up today if you have not already!

Read on for information on:

- PARKING
- PTO News
- Volunteer Badge Information
- Parent Library

Don't forget to check out our website at www.hilliard.k12.oh.us/pre/. Julie Pollard will continue to update our site with the calendar of events, classroom snapshots and building activities. She has done an amazing job as our Preschool Webmaster.

Hello HCSD Preschool Parents,

Wow, I cannot believe the school year has started already! Where did the summer go? I truly hope all of you had a wonderful summer full of sun and fun! Now, it is time for a wonderful school year full of learning, growing, and of course great fun along the way!

Our schools PTO is a wonderful organization that helps fund many events for the preschool such as field day, teacher appreciation, wish list items etc.

Last years PTO purchased smart boards for the school with funds that they had been saving up. The money comes from our many fundraisers and countless number of volunteers. We need everyone to help to continue to grow and be a successful school. PTO is currently looking for many coordinators for many of our events and products.

If you are interested, please contact Erica Koons at ekoons18@yahoo.com. **We are in great need of a Market day coordinator and PTO Secretary.**

I look forward to a wonderful new school year! My family is very excited to be a part of such a great school and can't wait to see how our little ones grow through out the year!

Blessings

Erica Koons

PTO President

The First Day

I gave you a little wink and smile
As you entered my room today.
For I know how hard it is to leave
And know your child must stay.
You've been with him for five years now
And have been a loving guide,
But now, alas, the time has come
To leave him at my side.
Just know that as you drive away
And tears down your cheeks may flow
I'll love him as I would my own
And help him learn and grow.
For as a parent, I too know
How quickly the years do pass
And that one day soon it will be my turn
To take my child to class.
So please put your mind at ease
And cry those tears no more
For I will love him and take him in
When you leave him at my door

Important Dates:

PTO Meeting: September 1st is our first PTO meeting at 6:30. Please join us to learn about PTO and the preschool. WE will be looking for a PTO Secretary and Market Day Coordinator among other positions.

T-shirt Sale: Show your school pride by purchasing our spirit wear! The sale will begin Sept 2 and end Sept 9. Look in your book bags for the order form.

Buy one for the whole family! Percentage of the sale will be given back to PTO to help support school activities.

Market day pickup: Our first market day pick up is September 1st from 530 to 630. Market day is a great way to stock your freezer and help support your school. We have pick ups once a month. Please look for your market day flyer and try it out. Contact Erica Koons @ ekoons18@yahoo.com with any questions or if you would like to volunteer.

Really Big Coloring Book Sale: Back by popular demand is the Really Big Coloring book sale. Last year these sold like wild fire. They are wonderful for the kid's birthdays, Christmas, or just for fun! I hope many of you got to see these at meet the teacher! Sale runs from September 16 to September 28th. Contact Holly Meister @ ghmeister@hotmail.com <<mailto:ghmeister@hotmail.com>> with any questions.

Late Start day: September 21st is the first late start day of the year. This means no AM Preschool that day!

Spirit Night: Yes, our first Spirit night is coming up on September 7 @ CiCi's Pizza off of Hilliard-Rome Road. Bring the family in for some yummy pizza between 5 to 9 that evening. Enjoy a dinner with family and friends while generating funds for our preschool. That's a win win for me! Contact Tricia Peck @ tricia.peck@gmail.com with any questions. I am writing this quick note to let you know that I recently made the difficult decision to leave my position at OSU and return to my private speech - language therapy practice, in the Dublin and Hilliard areas.

VOLUNTEER BADGES

As a friendly reminder, all Volunteers are required to renew their badges every 5 years and MANY volunteer badges have expired as of June 2011.

All employees have access to the Volunteer Directory by going to the Insider and clicking on "Volunteer Directory" under "DISTRICT INFO." This directory will give you the names of current volunteers, their date of birth for identification purposes and the expiration date of their current badge. This directory is updated once a month, so it may not reflect the most recent activity. It is

current through July 31, 2011. Any volunteer who has renewed since July 31 will have a new badge with the 06/2016 expiration date.

Volunteers may also visit our web site at www.hilliardschools.org <<http://www.hilliardschools.org>> and click on the "DISTRICT" tab, "Volunteer" link. Information on how to obtain a badge is located there. Also, the volunteer brochure we provided all buildings in May 2011 is current.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact me by email or by phone at 921-7124. Thank you!

PARENT LIBRARY

PLEASE stop in and visit the parent library located in our conference room (ADE 212). There are books for parents to check out covering development, eating, sleeping, ADHD, sensory issues, behavior, etc

If you read a book that you find awesome, PLEASE send me the title. If it was helpful to you, it will most likely be helpful to others.

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