



April 2009

Dear Parents,

April Showers (snow or rain?) bring May flowers, hoping to see green soon☺. Welcome back from spring break! We hope you had a wonderful week with your family.

Our theme for April is **Spring/Weather & Easter**. The children will enjoy learning about how the weather effects the spring season, as well as new life that comes in the spring and with the celebration of Easter. Our virtue this month is **Caring**. Your children have been learning the importance of caring throughout the year by showing kindness to their friends and teachers, but we will concentrate on this skill even more this month. Please join us in communicating about this virtue at home.

Spring is always an exciting time to celebrate new life, thus a perfect time to enjoy a day at a farm. We will be visiting **Gale Woods Farm** on April 28th and April 29th. This is a wonderful place to explore. The children will meet farm animals, participate in chores such as feeding or collecting eggs and discovering the role of plants on a farm.

Our April **C.S.O.** (Children Serving Others) project is a baby shower for The Harriet Tubman Center. The mission of the Tubman Center is to transform lives through research-based, violence prevention services. One of the ways they ease the stress of a bad situation is providing for the physical needs of the mothers and babies. Please join us in collect new items for the babies.

Class photos will be taken on *April 20 & 21 (Calvary), 22 & 23 (Colonial) and on Friday, April 24th at both Calvary & Colonial*. If it rains we will have make-up days the following week. This will be a fun memory of the school year. The photography will be done by Emily Pillsbury of Candid Life Photography. You may also choose to do individual photos. This is our eighth year working with Emily. She is a wonderful photographer and is delightful with the children.

Sizzle Berry Summer camp is approaching fast. We are excited about the camps we are offering this year. If you have already registered, YOU ARE IN! Confirmations will be sent out mid-April with the location and any additional details for camp. Please call the office at 952-836-1577 if you are still interested in signing up.

Reminders:

- Please remember to list the contact # where you can be reached while your child is at school. We want to be able to reach you in a timely manner if your child needs you.
- Last day of PM playmates is Thursday, May 14th.
- Last Lunch Bunch is Friday, May 15th.

Our staff is looking forward to the spring activities we have planned for your children. Please look at the important dates listed on the back side of this letter as a reminder of all the activities happening this spring.

Blessings,

Important Dates

April 13 th	Staff Meeting, no lunch bunch
April 28 th & 29 th	Gale Woods Farm
April 20 th – April 24 th	Candid Life class photos (see teacher for your child's scheduled date)
May 6 th & 7 th	Mother's Tea at Calvary, 9 am
May 13 th & 14 th	Mother's Tea at Colonial, 9 am
May 15 th	Last Lunch Bunch for the year
May 19 th	Spring Concert, Colonial, 6 pm
May 21 st	Spring Concert, Calvary, 6 pm
May 25 th	Memorial Day, no school
May 29 th	Last Day of School