







Team News

Deb's Direction

Congratulations! We have been awarded the "If Only" grant for every classroom. The projects that Deb submitted for the classrooms have been chosen to receive support from the Foellinger Foundation. The process was highly competitive, with onehundred thirty applications. We will be contacted by the "If Only Change Accelerator" sometime this month. They will meet with Deb to go over any questions about the experience. They will also offer ideas and support as we make this positive change in the classrooms.

Each room received a congratulatory letter thanking you for your



dedication to the children in your care and they look forward to hearing about the success of our projects.

If you have any questions about the up and coming process, contact Deb H. Because her scheduled flucuates between conferences and meetings, you can email her with your questions.

Kiddie Prep School

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Guiding Light

Safely Through the Storm

We shall steer safely through every storm, as long as our heart is right, our intention fervent, our courage steadfast, and our trust fixed in God.

... from Safely Through the Storm Minute Meditations @ AmericanCatholic.org

Cindy's Calling

- C Grammy Cindy time will be returning!! A schedule is being created as we speak. She will have it posted as soon as it is finished.
- *C* Food Sheets A big thank you goes out to everyone. You really

worked hard at making sure the August food sheets were transferred correctly.

C We have heard some comments from moms when picking up their children. Please take a little more time in helping the children wash their hands and faces after meals and playground time. This also applies to children who have runny noses. It is important to help the parents know that their child is being taken care of while they are away.

FAMILY!

GRISELDA - THANK YOU FOR HELPING ME WITH THE SPANISH SPEAKING PARENTS.

Congratulations! KEILA is the recipient of the monthly spirit award. KATIE - SHE WILLINGLY WENT TO EACH CLASS ON FRIDAY WHEN ALL KITCHEN AND OFFICE STAFF WAS OUT TO PICK-UP AND CLEAN DIRTY DISHES AND LAUN-DRY. THANKS FOR GOING THE EXTRA MILE TO HELP OUR KPS

KEILA - THANK YOU FOR HELP-ING ME WITH THE MANY PRO-JECTS I AM WORKING ON.

KARLEE - THANKS FOR BEING

Affirmation Box

SUCH A HARD WORKER AND DO-ING SUCH A GREAT JOB WITH THE KIDS. IT'S GREAT HAVING YOU IN OUR CLASSROOM! YOU'RE DOING A GREAT JOB.

DARLA - THANK YOU FOR CLEANING THE SENSORY TUBS!

DARLA - THANK YOU FOR CLEANING OUT THE FILING CABI-NETS FOR ME. IT REALLY MEANT A LOT TO ME TO HAVE YOUR HELP!

TONYA - THANK YOU FOR CLEANING THE SENSORY TUBS!

ESTHER H. - FOR MAKING MY JOB EASIER.

COLIN - THANKS FOR ALWAYS BEING WILLING TO HELP OUT!

AMY - THANK YOU FOR CLEAN-ING AND ORGANIZING THE SHED.

KARLEE - THANK YOU FOR HELPING ME OUT ON A REALLY BUSY AFTERNOON. I APPRECI-ATED EVERYTHING YOU DID!

> Spirit award recipient: Please come to the office to pick up your certificate.

Susan's Samples

- S With the change of seasons comes changes for your computers.
 Please have patience while we manage the needs of everyone.
 We understand there is frustration with the delay.
- S The computers will be back on a schedule for their updates soon. You must check with us before

you take your computer if you find it on and updating in the closet. Please look at the schedule that will be posted above the computer station in the supply closet to know when your computer is scheduled for updates.

S Computer problems?? Who do you call?? SUSAN! If you are ex-

periencing classroom or laptop computer problems, please notify her as soon as possible. Writing her a note is the best way for her to remember to put you on her TO-DO list.

Melanie's Motivation

 ${\mathcal M}$ What do you think about the new newsletter? Email comments and questions to mrohloff@gpnaz.org ${\mathcal M}$ Please remember to count

your kids when you decide to combine. The ratios of children are as follows:

- 1:5 2yr-old preschool children
- 1:7 2.5yr-old preschool children
- 1:10 3yr-old preschool children
- 1:12 4yr-old preschool children
- 1:15 5yr-old preschool children
- 1:20 1st grade children and up

The teacher to child ratio is determined by the youngest child in the classroom. There is another ratio that is used which is determined by the space of the "classroom" you are in. The Train - Bear Rooms can only have 15 children at a time and the Castle -Ocean Rooms can only have 20 children at a time. The Edge and Ark Rooms can have up to 30 children. The gym can have up to 30 children. At this time, the playground can have multiple classrooms AS LONG AS all teachers stay in their assigned zone areas.

 ${\mathcal M}$ For classrooms that are required to have primary care givers: Please update your list and hand it in so I

can type it for you. This needs to be updated each time you get a new child.

- ${\mathcal M}$ If you have a maintenance request, please email me with your specific requests. I will either fix the problem or find someone who can.
- \mathcal{M} We are reviewing the counts of each room to see where we need extra coverage. Please help us out by completing the count sheet each day.

? ? ? Anonymous Bag ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ?

The anonymous bag was created to help team members voice their concerns and comments anonymously. It is hanging on the team communication board at the back of the office. Feel free to write a little note if you feel uncomfortable approaching the office staff about your concerns.

There were no comments or concerns in the bag for the month of May, June, July and August.

Monthly Happenings

Sept 1: FWCS begins their 30 minute morning delays. This will be a normal Wednesday schedule.

Sept 1: Scheduled fire drill with the St. Joe Township fire department at 10:15a.m.

Sept 6: Happy Birthday Janelle!

Sept 6: KPS Closed - Labor Day

Sept 8: Kindergarten Fieldtrip to Safety Village 12:30-3:00

Sept 9: Happy Birthday Jean!

Sept 16: Open House from 4-6:00p.m. ALL staff required to attend. Please adjust your schedule accordingly.

Sept 18: Happy Birthday Deb H!

Sept 22: Happy Birthday Amy!

Sept 23: Happy Birthday Krissy!

Sept 28: Scheduled event with the St. Joe Township fire department with their fire safety trailer. All children ages 4 to 6 will attend. Please keep this in mind when you create your classroom schedule. The event starts at 10:00a.m. See Deb H. with questions.

Pay Days! Sept 8 and 22

HAPPY KPS ANNIVERSARY!!

Jean 1975, Chris 1979, Lisa 2003, Laura 2005 and Esther 2005

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Recipe of The Month

Death By Chocolate

- 1 box brownie mix (9x13 family size)
- 1 small box chocolate pudding
- 1 8oz. tub cool whip
- Mini chocolate chips
- Prepare brownies as directed on box, let cool
- Prepare pudding as directed on box, set aside
- Crumble half the pan of brownies onto the bottom of a clear, glass bowl
- Layer half the pudding then half the cool whip on top of the brownies
- Sprinkle with mini chocolate chips
- Repeat all layers
- Refrigerate until served



Courtesy of Tonya

What's Coming Up?

Oct 7: Scheduled fire drill with the St. Joe Township fire department at 10:00a.m.

- Oct 11: Columbus Day (KPS OPEN)
- Oct 22: Fall Harvest classroom parties

Oct 22: Kindergarten Fieldtrip to Kurtz' Pumpkin Patch from 12:30-3:00

Oct 26: Class pictures for Train, Bug, and Farm Rooms

- Oct 27: Class pictures for Bear, Castle, and Balloon Rooms
- Oct 28: Class pictures for Safari, Ocean, and Kindergarten Rooms
- Oct 28 and 29: Kindergarten Fall Parent/Teacher Conferences

Pay Days! Oct 6 and 20

HAPPY KPS ANNIVERSARY!!

Janelle 2008, Griselda 2006 and Ana 2007

State Recall

MOVIES: Four questions to ask yourself when you plan a movie in your lesson plan.

- 1. Is the movie age-appropriate for the room?
- 2. What is the educational purpose and is it listed on your lesson plan?
- 3. What other activities will you offer to the children if they do not want to watch the movie?
- 4. Is the lighting in your room maintained so the children can move about freely?

When you plan a movie, have someone in the office review your lesson plan for "back-up" and initial that they reviewed it.

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