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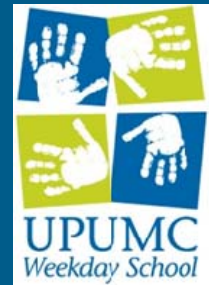
14—LAST
LUNCH BUNCH

18-21—ALL
SCHOOL EARLY
RELEASE (12:00)

21—LAST DAY
OF SCHOOL

WDS Temporary
Summer Office

Although the school will be closed for renovation this summer, we will still be working to get ready for next school year. The WDS office will be temporarily re-located to the church end of the building. If you need to contact us during the summer, please call 214-361-4626 or Pam Dean's cell at 817-600-3821.



The Weekday News

MAY 2010



A note from Pam

We live in a fast paced world. Families are constantly "on the go." Do you ever find yourself hurrying from event to event, perhaps saying "Move faster. Let's go. We have to be there now."?

Children can offer us a great reminder that the world needs to slow down. Have you really watched your child at play? You might try quietly observing. It is often by simply watching a child we learn what they are thinking and

feeling. Ask open-ended questions. "Where do you think those butterflies have been?" or "Why do the ants march in a line?"

You'll notice that children sometimes race from spot to spot, quickly investigating. Other times, you'll see a child linger for hours with an activity. If we take the time to observe a child's play, which is their work, we see interactions and explorations that show how the child learns.

These are those teachable moments not just for the child but for the adult. As adults we need to be reminded of the wonder of childhood. So, as you head into summer, slow down a little, turn off your phone, and simply watch your children play. God has given us these precious children for such a short time. Enjoy the moments of exploration. You'll find your heart blessed.

Fondly,
Pam

AUCTION AND CARNIVAL UPDATE

The Auction and Carnival were a huge success. Thanks to the Auction committee (chaired by Natalie Cole) and the Carnival committee (chaired by Marcy Simmons) for having such a wonderful event. We raised over \$20,000 for the WDS!!



Staff Changes for 2010-2011



TUITION

You will be receiving your final statement in July. The last payment for school year 2010-2011 will be due by August 1st. You are welcome to make this payment early if you will be traveling during late summer.

Mrs. Tobin is retiring from the WDS after over many years of loving and teaching at the WDS, to stay home and love and teach her grandchildren!

Sallye Jenkins will be adding a 2 day 3s class to her schedule next year.

Rebecca Elder, our curriculum director, will be moving home to Iowa, where her husband has taken a position as a professor at Morningside College.

We are currently looking to fill 3 positions at the WDS. Job descriptions are available on our website (www.upmc.org/pages/Weekday_School) If you know of any one that would be interested in applying, please let them know. The openings we have are: 3 day 3s teacher, 3 day 4s teacher, and Assistant Director.

The Boys Rock

Mrs. Roberts kindergarten class drew up contracts and had them signed by their parents to do extra chores around the house. They were able to earn \$87.00 to purchase mosquito nets. After doing some internet research, they decided to purchase nets for families in India. The class was able to buy 15 nets.



Carnival 2010



PACKING UP THE WEEKDAY SCHOOL

We have begun packing up the Weekday School so that the construction can start on time. We have to be completely out of the school building by May 22 (the day after the last day of school). We have a LOT to do. If any of you can spare an hour or two in the next couple of weeks, please contact Kathy Champion and let her know when you are available. She will be happy to give you a job!

