

Pleasant Hill Preschool

May 2010 News

Dear Parents,

I wanted to take a moment to introduce myself. I've met many of you already, but I know I've got many more families to meet. I'm coming to Pleasant Hill Presbyterian from Lake Wylie Lutheran Preschool where I was the lead teacher for the Four Year old classes. I had a class of ten wonderful little boys, yep that's right, I was the only girl. I think I can now withstand anything since I survived that.

I've been married to my husband Scott for fourteen years and we have 2 fantastic children, Maddy who is 10 and in Fourth grade and Christopher who is 8 and in the Second Grade. We live in Fort Mill and the kids go to Sugar Creek Elementary. I'm very excited to be joining the Pleasant Hill Preschool family and look forward to a great end to the 2009 – 2010 school year.

Thank you to all who participated in our Annual Golf Tournament it was a huge success! It was so nice to see so many families participate in a family fun day that benefit's the preschool.

During the month of April, we had a visit from two Kindergarten teachers from Lake Wylie Elementary. They talked with parents about Kindergarten readiness and the skills children learn in Kindergarten. Also, the following websites were recommended by Fort Mill Kindergarten Teachers as wonderful websites to help children learn and reinforce alphabet, number, color and shapes:

www.starfall.com www.pbskids.org www.kinderplanet.com www.seussville.com www.funschool.caboose.com I encourage you to visit these site with your children and make it learning for the whole family!!!

We also had a fun visit from Jennifer Lietzau and her dog Hannah. They visited with the children, talked about having a dog as a pet and Hannah did some tricks for the children.

As we enter the final month of preschool we still have a few openings in our classes and would appreciate you spreading the word to anyone who may be interested. We've added an additional Two Year old class for next year. Thanks to all that have submitted their ideas for the naming of the new Two's class. The Preschool Council will be announcing the new class name after May 6th.

Don't forget to visit our Scholastic Book Fair that will be set up in the Fellowship Hall May 3 – May 6th. This is a Buy One Get One Free fair which means your dollars will stretch a little farther. Please check with your child's teacher as to what day your child will be visiting the fair. **Clifford will also be visiting us again!**

On May 6th at the beginning of school, we will have Muffins for Mom. We hope you can join us. Also, save the dates for Graduation and our End of the Year Celebration. Graduation will be the evening of May 19th. We look forward to seeing all of you there that evening as your children show you all what they have learned this year.

The End of Year Celebration promises to be a fun day as well. We will have all sorts of fun and games the morning of May 20th from 9:30 – 12:30. Your child's PlayBall class will also demonstrate what they have learned. There will be a Hot Dog lunch as well. More information will be coming as the date gets closer.

In closing, I would like to thank you all for your welcome and support since my arrival in April. I'm excited about next year and all the wonderful things we have planned. I'm also looking forward to a busy and restful (*at times*) summer as I prepare for everyone to come back in the fall. You will receive a letter before the end of school detailing all the information for the upcoming school year concerning tuition due dates, medical forms and important Start of School dates. You will also receive a postcard in August concerning your child's class placement. I will be checking my work email from home each day and plan on having light office hours so your best way to contact me after May 20th is via email: preschooldirector@pleasanthillpresby.com

In His Service.

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