The Director’s Corner

Dear Families,

Welcome back to Spring 2014 at Campus Pre-School! What an absolutely spectacular holiday break for tons of family and outdoor fun! Seems like nature’s way of placing us right on track to meet that New Year’s resolution to improve our over all well-being through an increase in physical activity. At this pace, we’ll all be entering a marathon this spring.

Keeping the children, families and staff healthy and safe at CPS requires cooperation from all involved. As for the healthy aspect, please remember to be diligent about hand washing upon arrival and keeping your child home when they have a fever, “green” runny nose, or are feeling miserable and unable to participate. We understand that keeping your child home from school can be difficult but we need to try to protect the health of all the children (and the teachers too). Again, we all thank you for your cooperation on illness prevention.

On behalf of the CPS community, thank you for your donations to the Mitten Tree, Toys for Tots, Holiday Breakfast, the cards, gifts, goodies and holiday wishes. You make this a very special place to work, learn, and grow.

Wishing you peace, health and prosperity in the New Year!

Peg Smith
Executive Director

Board of Directors’ Corner

Campus Pre-School Families & Staff,

As the new year is now upon us, we think of the things that we hope to accomplish. Many of you will make resolutions and goals for the coming year, and Campus Pre-School is no different. In our continued effort to increase visibility and communication with families and staff, the Board Development Committee will be posting pictures and bios of board members in the entrance hallway. Please look for this over the next few weeks. As always, if you have any questions or comments, please contact me via email at cpsbod@binghamton.edu.

We hope that everyone had a safe and happy holiday season and we look forward to serving Campus Pre-School in the new year.

Best,

Jackie McKenna
Board President

STUDENTS

Undergraduate students applying for Block Grant Subsidy, please submit new schedules, proof of enrollment or any other pertinent changes for you and or family (if applicable).

PAPERWORK UPDATES

As a NYS licensed facility we are required to have medication forms updated every six months…you may need to have forms updated for toothpaste, topical ointments and/or any changes in medical information that we might need.
Thank you to all who helped with our Holiday Breakfast. What a delightful event! Thank you to Melissa, Kelly and all of their elves for preparing the delicious breakfast. A special thank you to our student volunteers, and all who volunteered their time to help with the breakfast.

Tuition Birthdays
Nicole Verrastro 1/3
Renee Fabrizi 1/6
Carolyn Torrico 1/28
Bea Brenchley 1/31
Donna Miele 1/31

Staff Birthdays
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Tuition Late Fees
Tuition bills will be placed in parent mailboxes at the beginning of each month. Tuition is due by the 10th, unless otherwise stated on the bill. After the 10th of the month, a late fee of $10.00 will be charged. If the balance is still outstanding by the 1st of the next month, an additional fee of $25.00 will be charged.

Dear Mom and Dad,
Are you struggling to come up with a new creative and fun filled birthday party for your kids? We, at Soccer Shots have fantastic news for all. We are so excited and proud to announce that Soccer Shots now does BIRTHDAY PARTIES! Parents sit back and relax while our coaches do the entertaining!

Here's the scoop:
Let our coaches come and do 1 hour of action-packed Soccer Shots games with your child and his/her friends!
You provide the space – park, backyard, community center, or gym – and we will provide the equipment, coach, lots of fun games, and a special prize for the birthday child.

For more information, please email James Head at jhead@soccershots.org, or call him at 607-684-5532.
We look forward to hearing from you soon and making it the best birthday ever for your child!
Thanks!

REMINDER
Many of the children have the exact same clothing items. To make sure there are no mix-ups, always remember to label your child’s clothing.

IS IT THE COLD OR THE FLU?
Here are some helpful guidelines:

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Recommended Care:
- Rest & drink fluids (H2O & juice)
- Do not give children aspirin
- Consult your doctor before giving over the counter meds
- Hand washing
Parent Page

ONE TEXT OR CALL COULD WRECK IT ALL

Fact: Five seconds is the average time your eyes are off the road while texting. When traveling at 55mph, that's enough time to cover the length of a football field.

Fact: A texting driver is 23 times more likely to get into an accident than a non-texting driver.

Fact: Using a cell phone while driving, whether it's handheld or hands-free, delays a driver's reaction as much as having a blood alcohol concentration at the legal limit of .08 percent.

Fact: 49% of drivers under the age of 35 with cell phones send or read text messages while driving.

Fact: 60% of drivers use cell phones while driving.

Fact: Drivers who use handheld devices are four times as likely to get into crashes serious enough to injure themselves.

We all know we shouldn't use our cell phone while driving, but did you know it is the law?

New York prohibits all drivers from using portable electronic devices.

The law defines the following terms as:
(a) "Portable electronic device" shall mean any hand-held mobile telephone, as defined by subdivision one of section twelve hundred twenty-five-c of this article, personal digital assistant (PDA), handheld device with mobile data access, laptop computer, pager, broadband personal communication device, two-way messaging device, electronic game, or portable computing device.
(b) "Using" shall mean holding a portable electronic device while viewing, taking or transmitting images, playing games, or composing, sending, reading, viewing, accessing, browsing, transmitting, saving or retrieving e-mail, text messages, or other electronic data.

Illegal activity includes holding a portable electronic device and:
- Talking on a handheld mobile telephone
- Composing, sending, reading, accessing, browsing, transmitting, saving, or retrieving electronic data such as e-mail, text messages, or webpages
- Viewing, taking, or transmitting images
- Playing games

What can happen if you are using your phone or other device and you are stopped by the police?
The penalty for a violation of this law is 5 driver violation points and a fine. The fines include:
- For a first offense, $50 to $150.
- For a second offense committed within 18 months, $50 to $200.
- For a third or subsequent offense committed within 18 months, $50 to $400. Plus a surcharge up to $93.

This is a primary law, which means an officer may stop you if you are observed using a hand held device. The police office doesn't need another reason to stop you.

It is illegal for drivers to use handheld electronic devices while their vehicle is in motion.

For more information, visit: www.stoptextsstoppwrecks.org or www.safeny.ny.gov.