

North Shore Nursery School

October 2015
Issue



Dates to Remember

October 22nd
Unlimited Sports Day

October 27th
Teddy Roosevelt Society
Visit

November 2nd
Speech Screenings

November 4th
Membership Meeting

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Wreath Orders are due

November 11th
Veteran's Day
No Classes

November 12th
Picture Day

November 19th
Parent/Tchr Conferences
No Classes for 3's and Pre-K

November 26th & 27th
Thanksgiving Recess

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From the Director:

Well, it certainly feels as if fall is finally here. The leaves are turning such beautiful colors, the air is crisp, and the delicious smell of muffins, bread and applesauce have been drifting in the hallways at NSNS. I always feel that the time between Halloween and Christmas is such a rush, that I barely have time to enjoy it. I will be making a concerted effort this year to slow down and enjoy our beautiful surroundings, as well as everything fall and Thanksgiving have to offer.

There are so many things to enjoy at NSNS this time of the year. We are about to have our first visit from Teddy Roosevelt Society, our first sports day with Unlimited Sports, and of course our beautiful "new" playground. I want to thank Lisa Belinsky for working so hard to organize our very first ribbon cutting ceremony at NSNS. It was an exciting day for the children, teachers and parents.

I am looking forward to the many opportunities we will have to work alongside our community (food drive, toy drive, pajama drive). It is so important for children to experience the giving to others who are not as fortunate as we are. Teaching children care, compassion and concern for others, at an early age, will help instill those values as they grow.

Wishing you and your family a very happy and safe Halloween!!

Dale O'Brien

Membership News

*Membership meeting - Wed Nov 4th at 9:30 am in the auditorium. Younger siblings are always welcome!

*We are busy working on the contracts for next year (2016-2017)- registration will be open the 2nd or 3rd week in November.

Calling all 2 and 3 year olds!!!

The 2's class has limited spots in each of its 5 days. The *Friday Enrichment* class is off to a great start!! Mrs. Marchignoli has prepared fun and exciting plans for the children to discover new words, concepts and ideas relating to math, science and literature. If you are interested, please check with the office for more details regarding the class!

Board of Directors

Our Social chairs have been very busy planning events for this fall and early winter. They are looking for some volunteers to assist in planning events for both adults and the children. If you are interested please contact Danielle Schenkel dcota82@aol.com or Mary Lee Rajpal MaryLee7@gmail.com



Playground and Building Update

The children are all enjoying the playground with the new surfacing and the ribbon cutting ceremony was a great success!!

Meanwhile, the downstairs playroom is on its way to a wonderful new facelift. The flooring is complete, and they are now working on the wainscoting and painting the walls. The ceiling, lights and windows are due to be replaced in the next year.

We are looking to transform the space into an indoor playground, focusing on gross motor skills. If you have any gently used equipment that you are looking to get rid of, please consider donating to it to NSNS.

Parents Night Out

November 14th

Louie's Oyster Bar

8pm - 10pm

\$60 per person

Please join us for a wonderful evening with friends

RSVP by Nov 1st

Send your checks to the office

"The object of education is to prepare the young to educate themselves throughout their lives."

Robert M. Hutchins

Halloween

This is such an exciting time for all children!! We want to keep it a happy time for all. To ensure that all children feel safe and secure, we do not allow costumes, masks or props at school. We encourage the children to wear black and orange, as we will be celebrating at school with fun activities and games. I would also like to remind you that no candy should be sent to school. If you have any questions, please give us a call!

Reminders

*Traffic -Please turn off your car while waiting for the doors to open in the morning and for children to be dismissed. The church has a strict no idling policy that helps ensure the health of others waiting outside.

*Wreath Orders- All wreath orders are due by Thursday 11/5. These make wonderful gifts to family and friends without the hassle of shopping and shipping.

*Speech Screenings - Are provided by Hofstra University and are a convenient opportunity to have your child screened if you suspect any speech issues. Teachers may suggest having some children screened. Although most children's speech is developmental at this age, it is always better to be aware.

Health

Cold season is definitely upon us. If your child has a fever, please make sure that they are fever free for at least 24 hours before coming to school. If your child has a consistent cough or runny nose, please keep them home. We clean the rooms and toys daily, however, we try to keep the germs to a minimum so that other children and our teachers stay healthy. Please teach your children to blow and/or wipe their nose themselves (yes, even 2 yr olds can do this!!).