

# FRIDAY FLYER

THE CHILDREN'S ACADEMY  
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May 24<sup>th</sup> – May 28<sup>th</sup> 2010

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**An Open Invitation to All Students**- All non-graduates and their parents are invited to attend this year's graduation ceremony. It's a special time to say good-bye and wish our graduating friends good luck.

**Graduation Pictures** – "Schoolhouse Candid's" will be taking pictures at graduation this year. More information will be e-mailed to our graduates next week.

**Father's Day Surprise** – Thinking ahead, the Children's Academy students have made Father's Day gifts for their Dad's. Just a word of caution (without spoiling the surprise)...they are **not** dishwasher safe! Happy Father's Day!

**Parent's Night Out** – This was a great success! All those who attended the "Crossroads restaurant and bar" to see Marco's Dad's band had a super time. A special "thank you" to the Bianchi Family. The night out was a wonderful chance for parent's to get to know one another. The school donation was \$100.00 which will be used to enhance our classrooms.

**Thank you....** Thank you to Atiyya and her mom, Mrs. Simmons for the delicious ice pops enjoyed by the whole school. How refreshing on a hot day!

**Thank you....** To Paula Masi Michael's mom, for the beautiful printing work done on this year's graduation diplomas.

**Snack** - Thank you to the following children who brought snack in to share with their friends; Ryan, and Marco.

## **RECITAL AND GRADUATION SCHEDULES**

**LITTLE ROOM - Wednesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> 9:30**

Little Room 3-Day AM Class

**Thursday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> 9:30**

Little Room 2-Day AM Class

\*Little Room 5-Day AM Class Will Participate in Both Recitals  
(Recital is the last day of school for the children)

**TRANSITIONAL ROOM AND BIG ROOM - Thursday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> 10:00**

All Big Room and Transitional Room Classes

**GRADUATION - Friday, June 4<sup>th</sup> 10:30**

(Children arrive at 10:00 AM)

Graduates Only

**LITTLE ROOM - Mrs. Lombardi and Mrs. Simmons-**

This week the children will be bringing home the name cards which were used for attendance to encourage name recognition and their name mats which were used for name tracing and the development of fine motor skills. Please feel free to continue to use these during the summer months. Using washable markers and wipes the name mats can be used over and over again.

As we are coming to the end of this wonderful year in the Little Room, we look forward to showing off a small amount of all the different things we have learned this year. This week, in preparation of the recital, we have been rehearsing and making special decorations. We know you will be very proud! The children have grown so much and in so many ways. We hope our families will always look back on the Little Room with fond memories.

#### TRANSITIONAL ROOM – Mrs. Tschopp and Mrs. Bottiglieri

We have finished reviewing what we learned this year. The children have increased their attention span and worked on refining small motor skills in the practical life area. In sensorial, the children learned to discriminate between shapes sizes and colors. We also refined our senses by using the sound cylinders, smelling jars and touch tablets. In the language and math areas we learned letter sounds and recognized numerals. Throughout the year we recalled the facts we learned about the rain forest, planets, and life cycles. It has been such a great year of growth in the Transitional room. I hope everyone has a great summer, and thank you so much for sharing your children with us!

#### BIG ROOM – Mrs. Sarno, Mrs. Smith, Ms. Dixon and Mrs. Gerst –

**PRACTICAL LIFE** – Our practical life activities are designed to teach children life skills. Throughout the school year, our activities helped improve our motor skills, care of environment, care of self and grace and courtesy.

**SENSORIAL**- Our favorite activities and their extensions are being demonstrated, used and reviewed as the year winds down. Original map work extension and difficult parquetry selections have been mastered by many of our students. Great Job!

**LANGUAGE** – Sandpaper letters, sound drawers, wooden nouns, opposite cards, and pink, blue and green materials were all used this year to increase and expand our knowledge of letter sounds and phonetics. Our students have done very well honing their skills. Have a great summer and remember....Sounds are everywhere. Each day is a day to learn!

Please continue to help enhance your children's reading and writing skills. Encourage library visits and bookstore outings. Share current events in newspaper articles and please send pictures and letters to Mrs. Smith. The children will be bringing business cards with addresses to send vacation, holiday, and summer letters. She looks forward to a busy summer of correspondence.

**MATH** – We finished up the year with review. We reviewed the bead bar tree, the hanging bead stair, and the fraction skittles. As we prepare for summer, we read the books "the Sundae Scoop" and the "The Best Vacation Ever", both books by; S.J. Murphy. Happy summer and keep counting!

**SCIENCE**- Watching grass grow! We all know that plants (grass) need sun to grow. Pick a sunny spot where grass is growing and place a clear glass or bowl on top of it. Wait a few days and see what happens. Compare the covered grass with the uncovered grass. Try it in the shade or with other plants. This demonstrates the effects of a greenhouse. A great experiment to watch over the summer months!

**ART** – We have been coloring beautiful spring and summer pictures with the anticipation of the warm sunny weather and vacation!

**FRENCH UPDATE** – Until schools end I have been reviewing all the vocabulary; I hope over the summer you will practice their new words with them.

I love having the opportunity to introduce your children to the French language. It is my hope that exposing them to French will form the basis of a life long desire to learn other foreign languages and an interest in other cultures.

**CALENDAR REMINDERS**

<b>May 31<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>School Closed – Memorial Day</b>
<b>June 1-4</b>	<b>Monday to Friday</b>	<b>Recital and Graduation Week</b>
<b>June 3<sup>d</sup></b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Last day of school for recital students</b>
<b>June 4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Graduation – Graduates arrive promptly at 10:00</b>
<b>June 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Mini-Camp Begins</b>

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