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"Teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom."

Psalm 90:12

Note From Dr. Wrobbel

Happy New Year to each of you. It has been great to see all of the students again this week. What a joy to welcome them back after the holiday break. Some seemed a bit tired from late nights and busy schedules, but most returned with tales of adventures to tell and the glow of special times with family and friends.

As we begin a new year, there is excitement, anticipation and high expectations of what this year will bring for each of us. Over break, I was memorizing and meditating on the first few verses of Psalm 119 and was challenged again to live out our year theme of being *fully committed*. Verse two of Psalm 119 says "Blessed are they who keep his statutes and seek him with *all their hearts*." My prayer for each of us is that we will experience his blessing as we live fully committed lives, seeking him with all our hearts. May God's riches and blessings be yours this year.

Drop-In Open House

Invite friends and neighbors to stop by TOCA on Tuesday, 1/19 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Prospective families will have the opportunity to tour the school, visit classrooms, and attend information sessions. Remember to turn in Each One Reach One forms to Melissa Filippi to receive tuition credit for families you refer that enroll at TOCA.

Transportation Reimbursement

Many of you have been inquiring about your reimbursement checks from the Illinois State Board of Education. Please see the attached memo regarding this matter.

Box Tops for Education

Congratulations to Mrs. Hodill and her dedicated students for turning in the most box tops! To reward their efforts, the first graders enjoyed a bowling party at 3-D Bowl. Continue to send in Box Tops to the

classrooms as the new contest period is underway!

Future Huskie Pups

If you are planning on enrolling a sibling for the 2010-11 school year, please contact Melissa Filippi (ext. 23). For kindergarteners (even existing students), please let her know if you are interested in full or half-day.

New Family Welcome!

Join us in welcoming the Kaszubas (Thaddeus, 7th) to our TOCA family. Please add the following information to your family directory:

Lynnette Kaszuba
6 West Oak Street
LITH, IL 60156
847-899-6889

Expert Geographers

The Final Round of the school level competition for the National Geographic Geography Bee will be held in Mrs. Marsh's room at 3:15 p.m. on Wednesday, January 20th. Please come and cheer on the class finalists who will be competing for the title of school champion. The class winners are:

5th: Tommy Kruk & Logan Hedberg
6th: Megan Cufu & Mary Morrissey
7th: David Dyer, Justice Lesperance, & Brett Rider
8th: Timmy Beecroft, Josh Mugler, & Julia Pearson

We wish them all well!

Serving Opportunity

Are you looking for a meaningful way to impact the students at Trinity Oaks? We need your help in the lunchroom! Come get to know students and other parent volunteers in a fun setting. We are in need of additional helpers Tuesdays through Fridays, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. No experience required!



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Regional Offices of Education
Public School District Superintendents
Public School Principals
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FROM: Tim Imler
Division Administrator
Division of Funding and Disbursement Services

SUBJECT: Elimination of FY 2010 funding for the Parent Guardian Transportation Reimbursement Program

This memorandum is being sent as formal notification that a fiscal year 2010 appropriation was not awarded for the Parent Guardian Transportation Reimbursement Program authorized under Section 29-5.2 of the Illinois School Code.

The lack of FY 2010 funding will prevent the State Board from paying any Parent Guardian Transportation claims filed for the 2008-09 school year. These payments are normally made in December of each year. In the event that funds are restored this fiscal year we will promptly pay the 2008-09 claims that were submitted.

If you have any questions regarding the information provided in this memorandum please contact the Division of Funding and Disbursement Services at 217-782-5256.