

October 2014

Hello parents! This newsletter is packed with a lot of information; be sure to take a moment to read through all of it and see the attachments.

1. Our very first **Red Elephant Share Night** is scheduled for Tuesday, October 7. 15% of the proceeds will be given back to the preschool; all you have to do is mention that you are supporting Trinity United Methodist Preschool. Please use the attached flyer to help us out and spread the word via social media. This offer is good all day long and can be used for dine in or take out!
2. We are looking forward to our **Costume Party**, scheduled for Friday, October 31. Several of you have offered to help for the day of the event (thank you!); if you cannot attend in person, please consider sending in small individually wrapped treats or items for goody bags. We will not be trick-or-treating as we have in the past, but rather we will be downstairs in the youth room playing games, dancing and having a costume parade! The fun continues with a special pizza lunch. Please send in \$3.00 to help offset the cost of this meal, which will consist of cheese pizza and fresh fruit. Finally, please have your child dressed in his/her costume when you drop off in the morning. As always, we would ask that you do not send your child dressed in devil or witch costumes.
3. With 75 children enrolled, you can imagine how hard it is to know each and every child's jacket, blanket, shirt, sleep time stuffed animal, etc. Please help us out by **labeling all of your child's belongings** with their FIRST and LAST names. Yes, this includes ALL items in your child's lunch box. Container tops and bottoms, cups and lids, forks and spoons. Thanks for your cooperation!
4. FSU faculty and students will be returning to the preschool once again to conducting **speech and hearing screenings** for the PK2, PK3 and VPK classes. Please print out the attached permission form, sign it and place it in my mailbox as soon as possible. (You have already given us permission to screen, however, these forms are a requirement of FSU)
5. Please consider supporting the Early Learning Coalition by participating in the upcoming **5K Race 4 Readiness**. I have attached a flyer with more information and registration information.
6. Please let me know if you have not received your family's copy of the **TUMP Prayer Booklet**. It is our hope that this booklet will become an integral part of your family prayer time as we know that a rich prayer life will help with spiritual growth and development.
7. Our annual **Thanksgiving Feast** is scheduled for Monday, November 24, 2014 at noon. Beginning in November, we will post sign-up sheets for food donations; this is a pot-luck style meal that is shared together in the Fellowship Hall. There will be a "slide show" running throughout the meal that gives you a little snapshot of your child's day here at the preschool. This program is for your child and his or her parents only; we wish we could open it up to others, but there is simply not enough space. This program is for toddlers, PK2, PK3 and VPK (sorry infants!)
8. Are you following us on **Facebook?** Go to Trinity United Methodist Preschool, Tallahassee, FL and "like" us.
9. Did you know that the **2014-2015 Parent/Student Handbook** is now online? Check it out at: <http://www.tumct.org/community/preschool-and-childrens-nursery/>
10. If you are looking for a church family or have any questions about **Trinity United Methodist Church**, please see me, call the church at 850-222-1120, or check out the website at www.tumct.org.
11. **Dates** to remember:

- October 3, 2014 Fall Holiday; school is closed
- October 7, 2014 Red Elephant Share Night
- October 14-15, 2014 Speech and hearing screening days
- October 20, 2014 Teacher Planning Day; school is closed
- October 31, 2014 Costume Party; see details above
- November 11, 2014 Veteran's Day; school is closed
- November 17-21 Scholastic Book Fair *Consider supporting this fundraiser and using the purchases for Christmas gifts!
- November 24, 2014 Thanksgiving Feast (children and parents in the toddler, PK2, PK3 and VPK classes)
- December 19, 2014 Christmas Program 11:30am. Children in the PK2, PK3 and VPK classes
- Dec 22 – Jan 5, 2015 Christmas holiday; school is closed
- January 6, 2015 Students return to school

The LORD directs the steps of the godly. He delights in every detail of their lives. Psalm 37:23

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