

T & T TIMES

Westminster Toddlers and Twos

APRIL 1, 2008

Newsletter Date

Dates to Remember

Parent Coffee April 18

Last Day of School May 22
NOON Dismissal

NOTE: If you did not receive last month's newsletter or summer registration materials via email, please contact the school office so we can update your email address in our system.

Due to the large amount of siblings in our program this year, we have a lot of 12:00 pick ups on Mondays and Fridays. Please take special care to walk quietly through the hallways and entry ways as many children are trying to begin their naps in the classrooms.

Thank You!

Parent Coffee

The Toddlers and Twos and Weekday Kindergarten are hosting a parent coffee on Friday, April 18th at 9:15 a.m. The topic of the coffee is sexual development. Maureen Sanger from Our Kids will be here to discuss typical sexual development in children. This includes answering questions that children will naturally be curious about. She will also talk about sexual abuse detection and prevention and the

proper ways to handle suspicion of sexual abuse. Maureen is wonderful at discussing this topic. This discussion (although often difficult to think about or awkward to discuss) is always so enlightening and helpful. Please plan to attend if you can. The room number is still to be determined. We will have signs posted on the day of the event.



Safety Concerns

It's spring time and it is naturally a care-free time of year and also a busy time of year. I want to remind everyone of a few things. Remember to use the crosswalk and hold your

child's hand when crossing the street from the parking lots. It is easy for children to feel like running in this great weather.

Also remember, do NOT leave your child,

purse or other valuables in your car. Each year there are 3-4 instances when cars are broken into for valuables left in plain view.



Spring Time Reminders



Remember to apply sunscreen on your child before school!

Now that the weather is beginning to change, I want to remind everyone to replace the back-up clothes in your child's bag. Children will need lighter weight items (plus they've probably grown some!). Some children are potty training now, if your child is

make sure to include extra shoes, socks and underpants. As the weather is so unpredictable this time of year, we recommend sending a light sweater or jacket to school. Remember to label these.

Remember to apply sunscreen before school so your child's

precious skin will be protected as we spend more time outdoors in more and more sunshine!

Garden News



Due to popular demand, we are taking orders for garden books again. These books feature Westminster children busy at work in the garden. Ginny (our garden teacher) did a great job compiling pictures and descriptions of the children's experiences in the garden.

Ginny works mostly with the older children in the garden each year, so the pictures of the children are from the Nature, Jungle and Ocean rooms. Children in the Lamb, Sky and World rooms will be working in the garden next year! Everyone is welcome to or-

der, however. Books are \$20 each or 2 for \$35.

Please be sure to stop by and see the progress of the garden throughout the spring and summer. It is truly spectacular and the children do ALL of the work with the guidance and teachings of Ginny.

Summer Schedule / Registration



It's hard to believe that we are gearing up for summer already, but we certainly are. The Lamb and Sky rooms are full for both summer sessions, but

there are a few spots available in the other rooms. You may call the school office to inquire about availability in your child's room. Session one dates are

June 9-26. Session two is July 7-24. The summer sessions are run just like the regular school year and children stay in the same class as they have been in all year.

SPOTLIGHT ON OUR TEACHERS

Each month we feature a spot light on our wonderful teachers. Hallie Jones sent out a survey of all the staff with neat questions that help us all get to know more about the wonderful people who take such loving care of the children. Instead of featuring a classroom at a time, I will feature a few questions each month and include all of the staff's answers.