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Trinity Times Newsletter

Developing Imaginations and Foundations

A Message from the Director:

Dear Parents.

As I write this letter, there is a stark contrast between the positive energy and good will at TCNS and the polarizing and tumultuous energy emanating from our political institutions. I won't dissect the issues that brought our country to this place. My job is to create an atmosphere where children flourish in body, mind, and spirit, an atmosphere where children feel loved, respected, and valued, an atmosphere where children feel safe enough to step out of their comfort zone and try the untried.

Children learn what they live. They learn about love through loving interactions. They learn about compassion from acts of kindness and generosity. Children learn these qualities and much more, such as patience and forgiveness when they are a valued and beloved member of a classroom community.

Yes, behaviors are contagious, and so are moods. That's why it matters to me (and it should matter to everyone) that teachers approach each day with love and enthusiasm for their work. Children are like sponges, and they reflect what they see. The adults in their lives have an obligation to always be aware of the huge impact we have on the lives of the precious children entrusted to our care.

I am reminded of a line from the song "For Good," from the Broadway musical *Wicked*.

"So much of me is made from what I learned from vou,

You'll be with me, like a hand print on my heart."

Teachers need to be gentle and reassuring. We need to treat each precious child with loving care and respect. We are leaving our hand prints on their hearts, and we can never forget the awesome responsibility that brings.

Dates to Remember:

10/8-NO SCHOOL: Columbus Day 10/12-TCNS Kids Work the Pumpkin Patch 10/17-Parent Advisory Board Meeting 10/19-Parent Night Out 10/31-Halloween Parties 11/1-Observation Day for Prospective Parents 11/5-11/6-TCNS Book Fair

But truthfully, we get more than we give. Teachers are transformed everyday by the lessons we learn from the children. Kids remind us of the mystery and wonder in the world. They teach us about the healing powers of laughter and the joys of friendship. They constantly remind us to keep our eyes, hearts and minds open. There are only two rules that ensure our loving classroom communities be places where children can flourish in body, mind and spirit: *BE KIND. BE SAFE*.

Sometimes I can get so discouraged from the contentious and outrageous decorum displayed by our political leaders. However, working with vour precious children is invigorating and fills me with hope for the future. On behalf of the teachers, thank you for choosing Trinity Church Nursery School and for allowing us to share in your child's early development. We are committed to the ideal that each child is a special and unique individual and so very, very, precious. Please contact me if you ever have any questions, comments, or concerns. You can reach me via email at sue@trinitywilmette.org, or on my cell at 847-217-2202. I need your feedback to ensure that we are doing all we can to keep Trinity a loving and nurturing community where children can flourish in body, mind, and spirit.

To a great year!!
Sue

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You know us. You love us. Help us spread the word about T(NS!

Did you know that Trinity Church Nursery School is online, too?

You can "Like" us on Facebook, *and* review us on *Yelp!, Google Reviews, Great Schools, Nextdoor,* or any other favorite community feedback portal.

You and your children fill our community with love and light.

Let's shine for all to see!











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Thinking of ordering your holiday cards?

EARN 13% FOR OUR SCHOOL WHEN YOU SHOP THE LINK BELOW WHEN YOU ORDER FROM SHUTTERFLY AND TINYPRINTS!

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We are excited to announce a fundraising program for our school! When you shop through our Shutterfly Storefront with the link above, Shutterfly will donate 13% of your purchase back to our school. Order holiday cards, calendars, and photo gifts, and earn money for TCNS! Just follow the simple steps below *before* you start creating your cards or ordering gifts.

- Step 1: Go to tcns.shutterflystorefront.com.
- Step 2: Click through to create cards and shop.
- Step 3: At checkout use ANY valid coupon. (Simply Google "Shutterfly discounts" and choose a code.)
- Step 4: forward the storefront link on to family and friends to earn more money for our school.

Thank you for being a loyal
Trinity (hurch Nursery School patron.
We value your support!

Welcome to the family,

NEW TONS Staff Mambers!



Dovi Boneck joins the TCNS team as lead teacher of the 3-year-old afternoon classroom this year. Graduating with honors in 2002 from DePaul University with a Masters in Early Childhood Education, she taught third grade in Chicago Public Schools. Born into a

family of artists, she studied art history and business earning a BA from Indiana University. In between the birth of her two children, Maddy and Levi, she was sole proprietor of the Midwest's first certified organic baby food business, M.O.M. It's eponymous name, Maddy's Organic Meals, was inspired by her first born. After moving to Wilmette, her youngest child attended TCNS. The community, hard work and heart of TCNS was a forever connection. She's very grateful to be back at Trinity in a teaching capacity.



Yvonne Kelly joins Trinity

this year as an assistant teacher in Ready Two Grow. She resides in Wilmette with her husband and three daughters. Her youngest daughter will attend Kindergarten Enrichment at Trinity this year. Prior to staying at home, Yvonne

worked as an elementary school teacher in Montreal, Canada and taught second grade and Kindergarten. She is thrilled to be joining the Trinity team.



Sarah Hepner joins

Trinity this year as the assistant teacher in the afternoon Kindergarten Enrichment program. Sarah received her BA from DePauw University and her Masters in Education from DePaul University.

Prior to having children, she taught preschool, first and second grade. As her children grew older, she returned to teaching most recently at A Joyful Noise Preschool and Kid Motion. Sarah resides in Wilmette with her husband and three boys.



Alessia Odell is thrilled

to be joining Trinity as an inclusion specialist in the 3-year-old afternoon class. Alessia earned her Masters in Special Education from

the University of Washington. She taught special education in the Seattle and Boston areas before taking time off to stay home with her children. Her passions include early childhood education, working with children on the autism spectrum and teaching social skills. She has been subbing at Trinity for the past two years and is excited to join the TCNS team permanently. She lives in Wilmette with her husband and two children. Her youngest is a Trinity alum.



Jeni Roderick is excited to be joining the TCNS team this year as an assistant in the

morning Kindergarten Enrichment program after substitute teaching at Trinity over the last four years. She looks forward to watching your children grow and develop learning skills that will last a lifetime! Jeni is originally from Santa Monica, California, but found a new home as a part of the Trinity community nine years ago, when her middle child began in the 3 PM program with Miss Sue. She and her husband reside in Wilmette and have three children, all of which have either attended TCNS and/or been camp counselors at Camp Amigos. Jeni is a physical therapist and is pursuing her dream of being certified to teach Pilates, but through it all her passion has always loved being with kids, so she is thrilled to be in the classroom working with your children!

What's on Top!



TCNS Kids are

Taking Over the Pumpkin Patch!

Friday, October 12th from 12:00pm - 6:00pm

Join us for a TON of fun, complete with aprons, receipt books, and all the pumpkins and gourds you need for a festive autumn!

Our kids will provide service with a smile to all customers!

Call the babysitter!
It's time to mix & mingle at Trinity's annual

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT! Friday, October 19th 7:00-9:00 P.M.

Join us at *A. Perry Homes,* 1220 Washington St., Wilmette. \$20/person for snacks and 2 drink tickets (Cash bar after that). Log in to your account on the TCNS website to make your payment!



Why should the kids have all the fun for Halloween?

Please join us for a pre-benefit sign-up party as Miss Kaitlin from SNAP Wilmette teaches us the moves to the Michael Jackson's Thriller music video!

Bring your favorite dance partner or come solo! Drinks and light snacks will be served.

Cost is \$40/person and can be paid electronically through the TCNS website at www.trinitychurchnurseryschool.com.

Best of all, all ticket sales will be donated to Trinity!

This is a great way to learn about our popular sign-up parties!

The dance studio recommends that you dress comfortably with no socks or shoes. Space is limited so sign-up soon! (The Sign Up Genius will go live on October 3rd!)

Hosted by Kavita & Louis Alford, Christina & Tristan Farrell, Annie & Matt Laughton and Tara & Nate VanderKamp

Cheir's Corner

Sarah Holcomb, TCNS Parent Advisory Board Chair

A warm hello to all our new and returning Trinity Church Nursery School families! I am honored and excited to serve as Chair of the Parent Advisory Board this school year. Sometimes it seems like yesterday that I toured the school with my 3-year old and 1.5 year old sons. Then, suddenly, our oldest son is now in 2nd grade, our middle son is in Kindergarten and AM KE, and our daughter is in Ready-Two-Grow! Time flies!

Every family in our Trinity community is unique. We are all in differing stages of life with our children, we come from different backgrounds and places, and we bring that uniqueness with us to our schools. If you are new to Trinity, if you are a Trinity veteran, or if you have come back to Trinity after a break, we welcome you and thank you for sharing your unique family with our preschool!

In my family's first days at Trinity, I vividly recall being blown away by the genuine attention and appreciation that the teachers gave to my oldest son each and every day (and then communicated to me!). The warmest greetings (hugs included!), reassurance on the hard days and sincere excitement for their little accomplishments are what the Trinity teachers do best. They shepherd and encourage our little ones as they grow, create, discover, relate, bond, play and become amazing human beings in the world. So while the fall can be a crazy busy time (our family's mantra seems to be "divide and conquer, divide and conquer..."), you can take a deep breath knowing that when you drop your children off at Trinity, they are truly in the best hands!

Let's not forget the parents. Some of our strongest friendships as parents are the parents of our children's friends. Who else can you share your crazy stories/dilemmas/frustrations with and really

feel like you're being understood?! Being a parent of young children is HARD! As the poet, John Donne, wrote, "No man is an island entire of itself; every man is a piece of the continent, a part of the main." Our Trinity community is a safe haven, not only for our children, but also for us as parents. At Trinity, you are all "a part of the main," a collective community of individuals (children, teachers, parents, alumni) that create the whole.

In appreciation of that community, I encourage everyone to attend not only your Class-Get-Togethers and the TCNS Parents' Night Out on Friday, October 19th, but as many of the future Trinity events as you can. These are great ways to make new family friendships, enjoy old friendships, share your highs and your lows, make memories, and celebrate our community.

As we get further into the school year, please let me know if you have any questions,

comments, or suggestions about anything. My email is: steenholcomb@gmail.com. I would love to hear from you.

I wish you all the best for a fun and happy Fall and a great year at TCNS!

Sarah Holcomb Parent Advisory Board Chair

T(NS Fall Open House







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Parent Tot



Parent Tot is off to a fantastic start! The children came in on their very first day, ready to explore the classroom and all the things they get to do at school, including play dough, painting, drawing, puzzles, and of course, lots of fun toys!

As we settle in to the routine of the morning, children are learning some new songs, playing new games, and meeting new friends. Our color of the month for September was YELLOW, and we have been finding yellow in the classroom, on the playground and at home, too. We are looking forward to October's color, which is ORANGE!

We also have a special "class pet" that the children had the opportunity to meet on the first day of school. His name is Brown Bear, and he's a little teddy bear that will make an appearance every school day. It's going to be a great year!

Ms. Kristen and Ms. Kathy

Our Trinity Family is Growing!

Congratulations to the Summe family on the birth of Baby Colette! Big Sister Stella (RTG) is thrilled!

Congratulations to the Schumacher Family on the birth of Baby Emily! Big Brother Andrew (RTG) is very excited!

Ready-Two-Grow



We have had a spectacular first month in Ready Two Grow! All eighteen students have successfully separated from their parents and caregivers and embraced going to school at Trinity with newfound independence. We are so pleased with this smooth transition, and we are grateful to everyone for working together to ensure success for each child.

The children are enjoying exploring all the activities and stations set-up around the room: manipulatives, playdough, specific art projects, free painting, the kitchen area, a train table, puzzle factory, a reading nook, and the water table delight the children and offer them a myriad of choices as they independently move around the room exploring their new environment.

During two separate times at the big rug, the children gather together to sing songs, listen to a story and celebrate our classmates when we have a birthday. We are learning the classroom routine and all that it entails, and we are thrilled with how this precious time of transition has gone for all the children.

Next month, we will start our new unit on colors. We will immerse ourselves in a color of the day through art, play, books and what we are wearing. The year is off to a wonderful start, and we look forward to a fantastic year in Ready Two Grow!

Ms. Colleen, Ms. Courtney, Ms. Kathy, Ms. Yvonne and Mrs. Z.





3-Year (AM & PM)

Play is the work of childhood, and your kids do their jobs exceptionally well! They are feeling more comfortable each day and exploring all the areas of the room. The play dough is very popular. The water table is always busy and the art table is visited by each child! The housekeeping area is alive with mommies and daddies and doctors and babies and waiters and waitresses and people camping and MORE! It's hard to keep up! Their imaginations are hard at work!

We follow the same schedule every day, and the routine is very reassuring to the children. They are learning to come to the rug when the xylophone plays. School may have just started but many of them seem like old pros! We started using the Helper Chart, and the children are eager to learn who has a job! We use the





Helper Chart as a tool to teach letters and letter-sound association. The lessons are meaningful to the children because they all want to know who has a job!

We started learning about patterns. We are noticing the patterns around us and created patterns at the art table. This is a challenging topic and one that we will revisit throughout the year.

By the time you read this, we will be up to our elbows in our paper mache project! We are creating an apple, and we know you will treasure it! We hope when you look at it you think about the fun we had applying the ooey-gooey mixture and painting our apple! Looking ahead, we will soon have fun with pumpkins galore and lots of fun Halloween songs that end with "BOO!" (Each time the teachers jump with surprise and the kids roar with laughter!) We'll even take a trip to the Trinity Pumpkin Patch! It will all culminate with a very simple Halloween party on Wednesday, October 31. Children are invited to wear simple costumes if they'd like, but no elaborate face paint, masks, or weapons as accessories are allowed.

It has only been one month, but your kids are adjusting like pros! They are learning to be kind and patient and to share. They are learning to respect each other. They are learning about friendship and caring, and along the way, they are having tons of fun!

Thank you for sharing your precious children with us!

Love,

Miss Alessia, Miss Deb, Miss Dori, Miss Ellie, Miss Meghan, & Miss Sue







4-Year (AM & PM)

As you most likely know by now, the children have settled in and are reacquainting with old friends and making new ones. We also want to extend a special welcome to our friends who are new to Trinity this year. They include Bennett, Will Zufall, Tommy Endre, Phoebe, Sung, Isabelle, and Beatrice. The song "Make New Friends" has become a favorite! The children are becoming comfortable with the routine and learning all that the classroom has to offer, as each day brings new experiences and discoveries. Our energetic fun-filled days always end with a respectful Pledge Of Allegiance and singing God Bless America or America The Beautiful!

Since the beginning of school, we have been focusing on ourselves, family, and friends. Our main themes focus around the book <u>Have You Filled A Bucket Today?</u> It is a guide to daily happiness for kids. We have discussed ways to be kind to others, inside the classroom and out. We are hoping that the children are filling your buckets at home!

A very special thank you to parents, grandparents who have come in to read to the class. The children LOVE it and so do we!

We have started our Specials this week which include Music and Science. Ms. Lindsey comes with her guitar and is so engaging with your children. Mrs. Dashiell will do Science twice a month and Music/Movement every other week. We promise you that these classes will become favorites! Also we began Centers which are once a





week where the children rotate between three tables, and using games and manipulatives, learn readiness academic skills to prepare them for Kindergarten. It is all done in a very fun way.

Fall is upon us now which begins our study of the honeybees. We will learn more about their hives, stages of life, and their search for nectar to make honey. Do not be surprised to see your child dancing while singing "Buzz Buzz Goes The Honeybee!" We promise lots of fun activities during the month of OCTOBER!

A special Thank You to all who were able to attend the Fall Open House! Thanks ever so much for sharing your precious children with us. We enjoy each and everyday with them!

Mrs. Hampton, Mrs. Lezama, Ms. Ellie and Ms. Agata

Kindergarten Enrichment (AM & PM)

Kindergarten Enrichment students have had a blast over the last few weeks exploring the puzzles, manipulatives, light table, library, and other materials in our classroom. We've also been excited to make new friends and learn more about one another. During free choice, there is wonderful imaginative play happening at the builders' table, in the house center, at the the magnet board where we've engineered marble runs, and at the easels and art



center, where students have been creating colorful portraits, abstracts, and lots of books.

We kicked off the year by reading <u>The Dot</u> by Peter H. Reynolds. From this book, we learned that we are all artists, and that there is no "right" way to express yourself creatively. Each child created a self-portrait on the first few days of school, and under them, we focused on what is unique about us by writing about our special interests, qualities, and talents.

We continued to discuss our identities as we talked about the range of emotions we all hold inside of us. Books like In My Heart: A Book of Feelings and When Sophie Gets Angry-Really, Really Angry helped us understand that while it is okay to feel any emotion, they are not permanent, and they don't have to control us. The kids are also learning that they

can use different strategies to keep their emotions from taking over them. We are adding to those strategies with takeaways from our weekly yoga sessions with Ms. Christine!

We'll continue exploring the idea of identity in the coming month as we begin to collect and compare data about our heights, birth month, eye color, and more. We have been learning the song "We All Sing with the Same Voice" to celebrate our differences and look for the similarities that are inevitably there, no matter how different we may seem. We will incorporate mathematical thinking into our comparisons and use different means of displaying this information: Venn diagrams, pictographs, and bar graphs. Identifying traits and analyzing similarities and differences is laying the foundation for strong critical thinking skills.

Thanks to those of you who were able to stop by the room during the Fall Open House. Please be sure to visit the room throughout the year as well to find out what else we've been exploring lately, and what's keeping us curious!

Ms. Lauren, Ms. Jeni (AM), and Ms. Sarah (PM)





Coming Soon: From Our Page to Your RADAR!

Fall Phone Conferences are Almost Here!

Fall phone conferences are scheduled for mid-October.

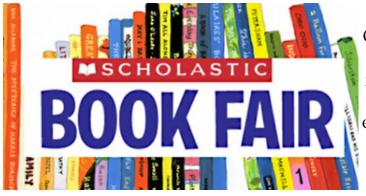
One of your child's teachers will be calling to discuss your child's adjustment to school.

Stay tuned to receive a specific call time & date. If you need to change your assigned time, please let us know.

We look forward to talking about our dear kiddos!



The 2nd Annual TCNS Scholastic Book Fair



On November 5 & 6, we will transform the lobby into a Book Fair. It will, literally, be impossible to miss! Scholastic Books make great gifts AND TCNS earns cash from each purchase. Plus, their prices are already lower than retail. It's a win/win! We hope you stop by to check out the books!

Save the Date. . .

For the first TCNS Parent Seminar of the school year!

Monday, November 12th 7:00–9:00 P.M.

More details to come in the November Newsletter!





One of the many features that distinguish TCNS from other early childhood programs is our wonderful array of enrichment programs. The following programs begin in October and continue until the end of the school year.

Music & Movement (Valerie Dashiell):

Every other week Val gets the kids in our 3s & 4s Programs dancing, clapping, marching, and singing, to music that ranges from classical to country to rock! She often incorporates rhythm sticks, instruments, and the parachute.

Spanish (3s & 4s):

We will soon begin weaving Spanish into the day! Spanish will be introduced in context, while the children are actively engaged in meaningful activities. In the 4s Program, Miss Agata will also include Spanish games and songs at rug time.

Science (Valerie Dashiell):

Every other week, Val joins the **4s** with her bag filled with hands-on fun and engages the kids in experiments that bring sophisticated science concepts to life. Each lesson will have an accompanying write up, so you can follow-up at home.

Music and Movement (Lindsey Smithwick):

We are thrilled to have Miss Lindsey working with our kids in Parent Tot, Ready Two Grow, 3's Classes and the 4"classes every other week! Equipped with her guitar and a bag of surprise props, Lindsey get the kids moving and shaking and singing with gusto! Her style is super-fun and super-interactive!

Radiant Child Yoga (Christine Quinn):

Radiant Child Yoga uses imaginary animals and stories, which captivate the children who, in their delight, have no clue how healthy and relaxed they are becoming! It could be called "creative movement" except that Radiant Child Yoga contains all the essential ingredients of yoga-breath awareness, mindbody fitness, and the opportunity to experience the "self-within." Christine is a former TCNS mom and Parent Advisory Board Chair. She currently teaches adult and children's fitness, health and wellness classes. She will be working

with our AM & PM KE Classes once a week.

Trinity Kids Say the Darndest Things!

The 4 year old classes are learning about kindness and using the books How Full is Your Bucket and Have You filled a Bucket Today. The concept is that everyone carries an invisible bucket. Acts of kindness keep the bucket full, and being unkind depletes a person's bucket. Mrs. Lezama asked the kids what they did to fill the buckets of people in their families yesterday Andrew D. (4am) said he watched a TV show. Mrs. Lezama asked how that filled someone's bucket, and Andrew said, "Well, it gives my mom a break!"

Isabel B. (3PM) finished painting at the easel, and her hands were covered with paint. She asked Miss Alessia where she could wash her hands. Alessia showed her the bathroom and said she could wash there, just like she did when she first came into the classroom. Isabel, holding out her arms, exclaimed, "It's just that I'm all alone here!"

Dylan B. (3am) got his clothes wet, so we used his spare clothes and changed him. He was literally amazed and exclaimed, "I don't know how you got the clothes here! I didn't have a suitcase!

Lydia S. LOVES to bead. She especially loves to wear the necklace she made at Camp Amigos! It's very long and took a lot of time to make. One of her teachers commented on how beautiful the necklace is. She also said, "I'm sure you sat right there and worked very hard until the necklace was finished. Lydia, pointing to the blue table, said, "No. I sat right THERE to make it!"



Back-to-School Sing-Along!

Sticky Bubblegum

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Sticky, Sticky, Sticky, Bubblegum

Bubblegum, Bubblegum

Sticky, Sticky, Sticky, Bubblegum

It makes my hands stick to my ______ And you pull them, and pull them, and PULL THEM AWAY!

The BEE Song

Buzz, buzz, buzz goes the honeybee Buzz, buzz, buzz goes the bee Fly, fly, fly to his honeycomb Where he lives in a colony.

Egg and larva and pupa
Then he becomes a real bee
Fly, fly, fly to his honeycomb
Where he lives with his family.

Here Is A Beehive

Here is a beenive

But where are the bees

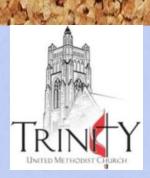
They are hiding inside where nobody sees.

But watch them come buzzing from their

hive

1 2 3 4 5 BUZZZZZ!!!!

Community Corkboard



Hey, God!

Hey God! How are the children today? We come to You on our knees. How are the children today? Can you help us all to see?

To see their hurts and their hopes, their anxiety and their awe, Their loss and their love, their hunger - to learn and grow.

Hey, God. Let us pray, God.
We are on our knees.
Your children are yearning for love and a
place of safety.

Please guide your childrens' feet to school every day

With enthusiasm and joy, show them how to share compassion and kindness in helpful ways.

Fill us with Light to shine with love.

Have a blessed year from your friends at Trinity UMC!

PLEASE PLAY IT SAFE!

WHEN CROSSING THE STREET IN THE MORNING, PLEASE ONLY USE THE CROSSWALK THAT CONNECTS THE PARKING LOT TO THE FRONT RAMP. THE CROSSWALK THAT LEADS TO THE MAIN CHURCH ENTRANCE HAS BEEN REMOVED!

