Newsletter



Seven Tips for Raising Caring Children

- Work to develop caring, loving relationships with your kids. Try this:
 - * Plan regular, emotionally intimate time with your child.
 - * Make time for meaningful conversation. Whenever you have time with your child, take turns asking each other questions that bring out your thoughts, feelings and experiences. Ask questions such as: "What was the best part of your day? The hardest part?"
- Be a strong moral role model and mentor. Try this: * Regularly engage in community service or model ways of contributing to a community.
 - * Practice honesty and humility. For example, apologize to your child if you make a mistake.
 - * Check in with people you trust when you're finding it hard to be caring or to model other ethical qualities.

 More next month!
- "...we as parents ought to be willing to ask ourselves the hard, fundamental questions about who we want to be and what we want to model for our children." Rick Weissbourd, Faculty Director of Making Caring Common, Harvard Graduate School of Education

Spring is coming! This month we'll celebrate Dr. Seuss, care for eggs and young chicks, wear green for St. Patrick's Day, learn about springtime weather, make and fly a kite and share doughnuts with grownups. We're going to be busy!

We have almost finished learning to write all the **letters** and are moving on to skills such as punctuation, sentence structure, word families, vowels, labeling and paragraphs.

As the weather continues to warm we will spend plenty of time outside. However, please **keep those hats** and gloves handy. March is known to be fickle and our outdoor areas are windy and chilly. We might even go exploring toward the wooded area in search of signs of spring. Learning to observe nature, along with the patience it requires, is a wonderful skill for the children to practice. We're especially hoping to see bluebirds begin nesting in the box outside our window!

We have begun to care for a dozen incubating **eggs** in hopes they will hatch into **chicks.** We'll observe the chicks and enjoy them for a couple days and then they will return to the farm.

Summer Camp registration will begin this month. Expect to have six weeks of discovery beginning June 2. Camp hours will be 8:45-12:15, Monday through Thursday. There will be plenty of water activities, crafts, outdoor play and fun planned for your child during our themed weeks of camp. Check out the schedule and sign up soon!

One grownup per child is invited to join us March 10 at 9:15 to enjoy some crafting and doughnuts in our classroom. Look for more details soon.

Our **Open House** Event will be held on Saturday, March 22, from 9-11 a.m. Please invite your friends and neighbors to join you at TCNSK and check us out that morning. We'll have tours of the school and teachers will be on hand to answer questions about the upcoming school year.

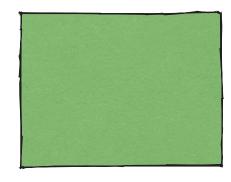
Guest Readers are here! Find out more information outside our room and sign up for a date and time.

Frequently Used Words to practice and learn...

which, about, up, if, their, each, how, do, said, will

Coming in April

Picture Days: April 30 and May 1



Thanks for sharing your wee bairns with me!



Dates to Remember

March 3: Celebrate Dr. Seuss

March 4: Pancake Dinner at Trinity

March 10: Doughnuts with Grownups: 9:15

March 17: St. Patrick's Day Celebration

March 19: Bible Buddies

March 22: Open House 9-11 a.m

