

November 2015

Parents/Guardian,

We thank you for the many blessings you share with us at UPSK, especially your children. You will see that our school has many upcoming events.

“Unwanted “Halloween Candy

If you have more Halloween candy than you need, bring it to UPSK. Help us fill the bin in the lobby for the Sojourner House. Thank you Kris Oddis and Nicole Billak for helping us share our extra goodies! Last day to donate is Fri., Nov. 6th.

Picture Days

Centofante Photography will be here on Monday, Nov. 9th to take pictures for the *4's, K and Staff*. On Tuesday, Nov. 10th the *2's, 3's & TK* will have their pictures taken. Please complete the form that was sent home and include the correct CASH or a check made out to: *Centofante Photography*. In the lobby is a display of the products available to order.

Craft Show Bake Days

Bake days are Nov. 4th & Nov. 5th, 8:30-3:00 p.m. and 5:00-8:00 p.m. in The Center. All are welcome, ingredients provided. On Dec. 3rd, 8:30-3:00 p.m. we will be making Pretzels for the Craft Show. You won't want to miss the fun helping on these days! Call Nicole Billak 330-797-9726 for questions.

Conferences: TK, K and 4's

TK & K will conference on Thursday, Nov. 5th. Parents of our Four Year Old children will conference on Friday, Nov. 6th. The teachers will have sign-up sheets posted. The November conferences are mandatory. If the times/days are not convenient the teachers will make other arrangements with you. Please note a written evaluation will not be given at these conferences. It is an opportunity to dialog with your child's teacher.

Classroom Basket Raffles

All donations for the classroom theme baskets are due by:

- 4's, TK, K and Staff – Mon., Nov. 9th
- 3's - Tues., Nov. 10th

These baskets always bring people from near and far to purchase tickets. We could not create such beautiful baskets without your generous, creative donations, thank you!

Craft Show Information

Christy Durham, Craft Show Chair and the Craft Show committee are working very hard to promote the Craft Show. You are our greatest source of advertisement as you spread the information about our **27th “Once Upon a Christmas” Craft Show on Saturday, Dec. 5th from 9:00-4:00 p.m.**

- Chairpersons will be asking for your help, you will make great friends when you become involved.
- **No School for Preschool: Fri., Dec. 5th,**
- **TK & K. NOON DISMISSAL, Dec. 5th Craft Show Set Up**

Thanksgiving Food Baskets

The UPSK school community will donate items to create food baskets for 10 less fortunate families. Each classroom and the UPSK staff will “adopt” a family for the month of November. The teachers will discuss with the children the items needed for a Thanksgiving feast. In addition to providing food, during the month of November we will pray for our special families and create cards that will accompany the food baskets. Please have all items in by Nov. 17th, for delivery on Nov. 18th. Thank you to our chairpersons Holly Horne and Jill Cianciolo-Malloy and their committee. Most of all, thank YOU for helping us share our many blessings within our local community.

Thanksgiving Gatherings

The 3’s and 4’s children will celebrate Thanksgiving with their friends in their classrooms on Nov. 23rd & 24th.

The TK & K children will celebrate “Pumpkins & Prayers” with their families on Tues., Nov. 24th at 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel. They will gather in the Atrium for treats following the prayer service.

Candy Drive/Gymsters

Thank you for supporting our recent World’s Finest Candy Bar Sale. It was a huge success and we are thrilled that we will be able to continue to offer Gymsters to our students. Be sure to check out the bulletin board in the lobby and read the skills that your children are learning in Gymsters.

Spanish

The Preschool Enrichment, TK Enrichment and K children are filling our halls with Spanish. Mrs. Rubi Pappalardo, our Spanish teacher is amazing!

Spirit Wear

Thank you for the great response to our recent Spirit Wear orders. Spirit Wear orders will be coming home soon. Spirit Days are Nov. 19th & 20th, children are encouraged to wear their Spirit wear or our school colors, navy blue and cream. A new form will be sent home for our next order.

Time for Two

Due to the popularity of this new program, we have started a third class that will meet on Fridays from 9:00-10:00 a.m. beginning Nov. 6th.

Mrs. Jodi Klepec will help introduce the two year old child and one adult to the wonderful world of preschool. We have just a few openings, so spread the word.

BoxTops

Thank you for collecting BoxTops for UPSK. It is amazing that our BoxTops Robot ate 6,722 BoxTops which earned our school \$671.80. Start feeding our Robot, he is hungry for more BoxTops. Special thanks to Chrissy Cvetkovic and her daughter Reagan for a tedious job well done!

UPSK Website and Facebook

Please check out our website and Facebook in the weeks ahead at www.ursulinepreschoolandkindergarten.org UPSK has also been in the local newspapers. Please check us out on the bulletin board in the lobby.

Parent Bulletin Board

Our Parent Informational Bulletin Board is located at the main entrance by the office. Please feel free to help yourself to any information needed about upcoming events. The drawers below are filled with

additional copies of calendars, newsletters and information on upcoming events.

Hot Lunch/Pizza

We continue to offer hot lunches for the children that are with us during lunch time. The menu and order form is sent home monthly with directions. These lunches are served Mon. thru Thurs. Please see Mrs. Kris Oddis for lunch orders or questions. Friday is Pizza Day, place money in an envelope with child's name and give to your child's teacher. Your child will enjoy Fernando's Wedgewood pizza, chips/pretzels, fruit snack, and milk/juice. All lunches are \$3.50.

Craft Show Bake Sale Items Needed

Please donate any new or used cookie trays, Christmas boxes or containers for us to use at our Craft Show Bake Sale. We also need Christmas ribbon and large cookie tray bags that can be found at the Dollar Store. Our Craft Show Bake Sale is known for its beautifully wrapped baked goods. A container will be in the school lobby.

Advent

The First Sunday of Advent is Sunday, November 29th. As a school we will gather each week of Advent to pray together, light our Advent candles and prepare our hearts for the birth of Jesus. Know each of you will be remembered in our prayer.

Reminders

NCEA Professional Days

There will be NO SCHOOL on the following days in November because of Staff

In-Service and NCEA Days.

Thursday, November 12th

Friday, November 13th

Thanksgiving Vacation

No school on Wed., Nov.25th, Professional Day for teachers.

No school on Thurs. Nov 26th and Fri., Nov.27th.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Craft Show Set Up Day

No Preschool on Friday, Dec. 4th

TK & K, Noon Dismissal on Fri., Dec.4th

Know that during this season of Thanksgiving we pray for you and those you love. We are grateful for all that you do to help make UPSK such a special school. You and your children are blessings to us all year.

Happy Thanksgiving!

***Mrs. Mary Ann Critell
And Staff at UPSK***