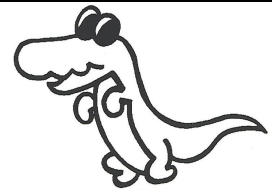


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Episcopal Day School, PTA Newsletter

February 2010

Message from Lisa & Joanna

PTA Co-Presidents

Although it doesn't feel like it, Spring is right around the corner. We have an addition to the calendar: on Thursday, February 18, 2010 at 5:00pm in Parish Hall there will be a Spaghetti dinner to help offset some of the costs of Ms. Allen's surgery. We all wish her the best of luck! Please respond to Julie in the office with your orders.

March is right around the corner, and there are a lot of fun activities. Please note the calendar for specifics, but first will be the talent show on March 17th, so get your talent ready and invite the Grandparents to come in a day early, because the next day is Grandparents and Grand Friends day. Responses are being accepted now for that day.

Next, is the Scholastic Book Fair Round Up. The Parish Hall will be converted into a rodeo with every book imaginable for sale. There will be books available for all ages, required summer reading, cooking, you name it. There will be gift certificates available for sale at Grandparent's Day.

Have you started thinking about next year? Next month we will have a sign up meeting. Please plan to attend, get involved and meet some new people and have fun! Our PTA is what we make it. All our wonderful parent volunteers are one of the many things that make EDS such a great place for our children.

Annual Book Fair

Tuesday, March 23rd – Friday, March 26
 Tuesday March 23rd is Family Night
 Grab your cowboy boots and get ready for the
Reading Round Up!

Don't Miss a Date

February

Spaghetti Benefit for Brenda Allen Thursday 18

March

Talent Show Wednesday 17

Grandparents Day/Early Dismissal 11:30

Thursday 18

Annual Book Fair Tuesday 23- Friday 26

April

International Day Australia Friday 23 (Mark your calendars and plan to volunteer in activity stations. Sign ups will be posted outside classrooms soon.)

Spaghetti Benefit for Brenda Allen

Date: Thurs. Feb 18

Time: 5:00 to 7:00pm

Place: Emmanuel Episcopal Parish Hall

Cost: \$5 per person all proceeds will go to help our wonderful guidance counselor Brenda Allen with post-operative medical expenses. You can eat-in or carry out and donations are greatly appreciated! Call [692-3492](tel:692-3492) for more information.

Thanks to donors: Chick-fil-A, McDonalds Restaurant, Pine Needles, Sandhills Office Supply, Talbert's Catering, Emmanuel Episcopal Church, and EDS Faculty/Staff.

Pre-School Request

Our Pre-School is looking for gently used **Little Tikes** big pieces, like kitchens and such, to replace their old ones. If anyone has them hanging around their garage, please consider donating them to EDS.

Good luck to our EDS actors appearing in the upcoming PlayHouse play *Prince Caspian* on Feb. 25-28. For more info, please call 295-1320.

Staff Appreciation

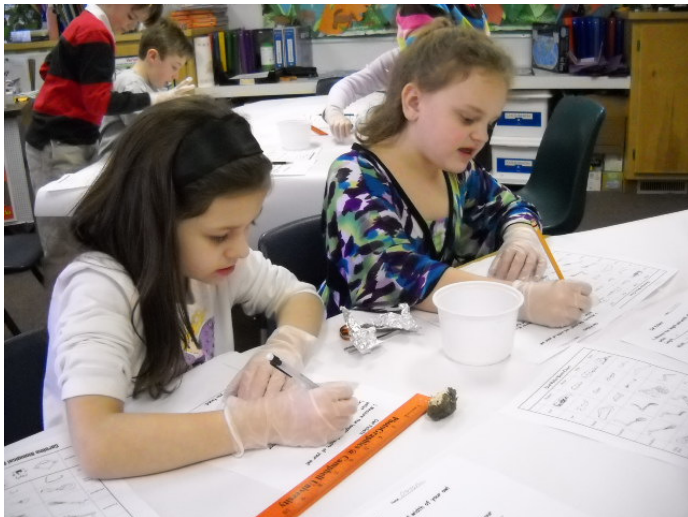
Thank you to all the parents who volunteered for the February Friday faculty lunch. Please check the list of dates outside your child's classroom for the rest of the year to sign up if you have not already done so. E-mail Liz Koehler dfkoehler@hotmail.com or Erin ReVille ereville@nc.rr.com if you have an interest or have questions.

Orderlunches.com

Ordering for March is now open. Orders must be placed by: 2/25

Check out our Blog

We started The Gator Blog this August as a way for all members of the EDS family to stay connected. Visit edsgators.blogspot.com for photos, announcements and news from all students, parents, grandparents, faculty, friends and alumni of Episcopal Day School in Southern Pines, North Carolina. The blog also provides a link to our new EDS Gators Facebook fan page.



Grandparents Day

For Grandparents Day we would like all parents to email a picture of their child with their grandparent(s) for a slide show that will play during Grandparents Day. Please send to Becky Graham at windog@earthlink.net by the end of February.



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One Final Reminder: Box Tops

It is time for the Box Top Olympics!!

Collect Box Tops from your favorite products. Turn the Box Tops into your teacher or place them in the Box Top Mailbox outside the office. Please make sure that your envelope or bag has your **teacher's name** on it, so your class will get credit.

You will be competing on behalf of your entire class for a "Gold Medal Ice Cream Party". You can't win if you don't clip.

The contest runs from January 11, 2010 through **February 19, 2010**.

If you have any questions, please contact Becky Graham or Margaret Leonard.