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Apostles Community Preschool

“Children are God’s apostles, day by day sent forth to preach of love, and hope, and peace.”
WELCOME TO THE 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR!

The entire team at Apostles Community Preschool would like to welcome you all to another fabulous year at our preschool! 2014—2015 school year is bound to be a year full of growth and learning for your children. We are honored that you chose our preschool to be your child’s first educational experience.

The many beginning of the year festivities and the first days of school all went very well! It is wonderful that the halls are filled with beautiful smiling faces and happy, singing voices. Thank you for choosing to be a part of the Apostles Community Preschool FAMILY!

THANK YOU PARENT COUNCIL

The teachers and staff at ACP are grateful to Parent Council for their generous monetary gift given at the end of last year. It enabled our preschool to purchase bicycles for our gym and books for Pre-Kindergarten classrooms. Also, the teachers absolutely love and appreciate the photo allowances, the photo printer and supplies that Parent Council provides on an on-going basis. It allows us to take lots of pictures of your children that can be used in several projects throughout the school year, including class books, art work, and bulletin boards. Thank you again for your constant support!

ACP WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU: SURVEY!

What did you think of the NEW format for VISITATION & PLAY GROUND DAY? Please let us know by visiting the following website:

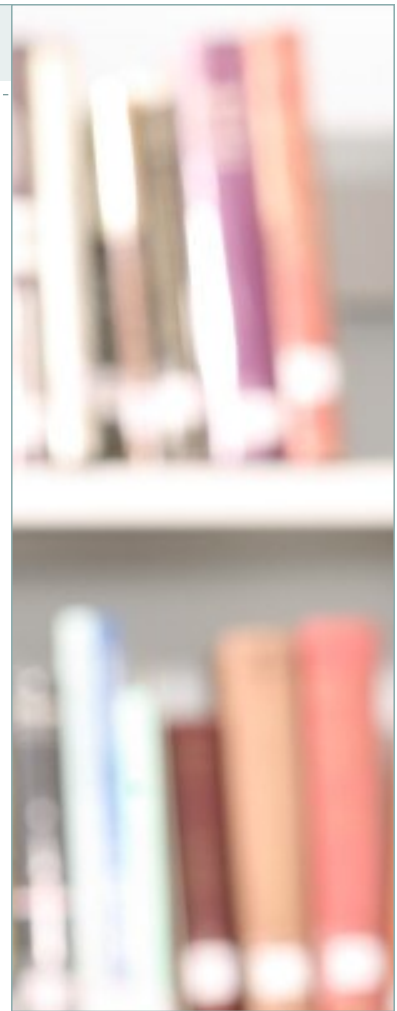
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/OTKPQ7Z>

The survey takes less than 10 minutes and provides us with valuable information to help plan future Visitation & Playground Days. There are also 3 questions that will help us plan future events this year. Your opinion matters and will only be heard if you take the survey. Thank you in advance for your time!

CHECK OUT ACP’S WEBSITE:

<http://www.apostlescommunitypreschool.org/>
For Up to Date Calendar Information and Current Announcements!

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Book Fair & Ice Cream Social are the week of September 22nd!
- Meet our New Staff & Learn about Changes in our Staff.
- Fall is For Friendship—Learn about the Curriculum this month
- Tips for keeping Drop-Off Quick and Easy!



PARENT COUNCIL WELCOMES EVERYONE TO ANOTHER GREAT YEAR...

Parent Council welcomes everyone! As Parent Council enters another year at ACP, we are excited to continue the tradition of involving parents with the education of our children. Each year, parents volunteer to help plan and provide activities and fundraisers for our preschool children. **Our first meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 17th in the nursery after morning drop-off.**

Typically, we meet the first Wednesday of every month. Please contact Stacey Gregory at staceygregory@hotmail.com or Candace DeBord candace.debord@gmail.com if you are unable to attend meetings but would still like to volunteer at some evening and/or weekend events that occur throughout the year.

KidStuff coupon books are on sale now! Please check your child's tote back for the order form or email staceygregory@hotmail.com to place orders

REMIND

Parents—

Please sign up for Remind to get important notifications from school, including weather alerts and reminders for events. **YOU WILL NOT GET ANY JUNK MAIL—ONLY THE DIRECTOR'S REMINDERS!** To sign up, please text (724) 383-3669 and type the message `@apostl` or visit the following link: www.remind.com/join/apostl

Thank you!

BOOK FAIR & ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Parent Council will be holding its annual Book Fair Monday thru Friday the week of September 22nd. We are looking for volunteers to help from 11:00-12:00 each day. Please contact Leah Benson at lemadmel@gmail.com if you are able to donate your time.

Parent Council will also be holding an Ice Cream Social/Safety Fair the evening of Tuesday, September 23rd from 6:30 to 8:00pm in conjunction with the Book Fair. In order for this event to be a success, we need volunteers to set up at 5:30pm and also need people to help throughout the evening until the close of the social. Please consider volunteering 45 minutes of your time so that everyone can enjoy time with their families that night. More details will be sent home at later date, but please contact Melissa Koehler at MelissaKoehler@gmail.com or Nicole Fickes at nicfic72@yahoo.com if you plan on attending and are willing to give your time. Thank you!



Welcome to our NEW STAFF: Top row: Stephanie Moore (Left), Friday Purple Bear Teacher & Molly Linkey (Right), Purple Bear Aide; Bottom Row: Jennifer Eshleman, Yellow bear Aide

MEET OUR NEW STAFF & LEARN ABOUT CHANGES

Stephanie Moore

Stephanie graduated from Millersville University, earning a Bachelor's Degree in Special Education. Prior to teaching at ACP, she taught at Penn Manor High School for 8 years as a Learning Support Teacher. She is a member of Church of the Apostles and has assisted with Sunday School for 4 years. This year, she will be teaching the K-1 Sunday School class. She and her husband has two children. Their oldest was a Blue Bear at ACP and absolutely loved his time here! They are excited that their youngest is beginning his journey at ACP.

Molly Linkey

Molly is graduate of Lancaster Catholic HS and Lancaster School of Cosmetology. For a period of time she worked in the toddler room of Learning Ladder Child Care Center which is where her oldest son attended. I then worked as a Barber for many years before staying home with my two youngest kids and 5 years ago also ventured into teaching Zumba Fitness classes. She and her husband have 3 amazing children: the oldest is a college graduate and lives in Chicago and the younger 2 attend St Leo.

Jennifer Eshleman

Jen earned her Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education from York College of PA. She has enjoyed being a stay at home parent to her two children and is looking forward to getting back into the field of education. Jen has enjoyed many volunteer opportunities at Rohrerstown Elementary School where her children attend school. Her youngest child is an Apostle's graduate.

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SEPTEMBER CURRICULUM: FALL IS FOR FRIENDSHIP

The teachers are eager to get to know your children and create warm, connected communities within their classrooms! The first several weeks of school will be filled with play, games, music and art activities that promote kindness, cooperation, teamwork and belonging. There is so much fun and friendship to be had in getting to know classmates and their names! The lovely season of Fall begins on September 22, and the children will be using their senses to explore these colorful changes in a variety of creative ways. "Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower." - Albert Camus

Letters of the Week –
Sept. 15 – A; Sept. 22 – B; Sept. 29 – C; Oct. 6 – D

Color Day(s) –

*Red – Wed, Oct. 1
or Thurs., Oct. 2

*Yellow – Wed., Oct. 8 or
Thurs., Oct. 9

* Teachers will clarify
with their classes which
color date to follow.

NEW STAFF & CHANGES (CONT.)

Changes

Rachel Clinton moved from Yellow Bear Aide to MWF Red Bear Teacher. She is excited to have the opportunity to use her teaching degree!

Mikki Reich moved from Purple Bear teacher to TTh Red Bear Teacher. She is excited to have the opportunity to work with children that are a little bit older!

Melissa Harris moved from Red Bear teacher to MW & TTh Purple bear teacher. She is thrilled to have another tot class and to work with the Tiny Tots too!

Leigh Breslin moved from Purple Bear Aide to Red Bear Aide. She is happy to work with older children too!

Tami Harelson moved from red Bear Aide to Blue Bear Aide. She feels right at home working with Mrs. Givens and her Pre-K children.

NOTES FROM THE REGISTRAR, MRS. LEWIS...

⇒ OCTOBER 15TH TUITION

The second tuition payment for this school year is due by Tuesday, October 15. Please be sure to return the bottom tear-off portion of the notice and return with your check in order to properly credit your account. This is especially important if a grandparent or person with a different last name is paying.

⇒ LUNCH BUNCH

There are still openings available for Lunch-Bunch sessions on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. You may choose one day or all three! Children bring their lunches from home and stay until 12:30, enjoying time on the playground and in the Yellow Bear room.

Please email the registrar at Lewis.acp@gmail.com if you have any questions or would like to register.

REMINDERS ABOUT DROP OFF!

A suggestion was made to keep the fumes in the parking lot to a minimum for the health of all waiting: Turn your car off once you are in line until the it begins to move at 9:00am.

To keep the Car Drop-Off line moving, the following are important tips:

- If you are comfortable, please unbuckle your children once in the church parking lot, but keep them in their car seat. We certainly don't want children moving all about the car causing trouble and honking horns!
- If you have more than one child, please have your children exit one door - most likely the back since that where their car seats are. If you are in a minivan or a car with a third row, when you are the next car in line, have the children ready to exit from the middle row where the door is located.
- Please have all breakfast items finished and cleaned up BEFORE it is your turn.
- If you are the NEXT car, please start the goodbye process so that when the door open all hugs and kisses are done.
- Please have their tote bag all set to go.

After your child is safely in the control of a staff member and the car in front is gone, please pull away from the curb. ***Never pull around, pass, or attempt to leave before the car(s) in front have gone.***

Thank you!

INSIDE STORY HEADLINE

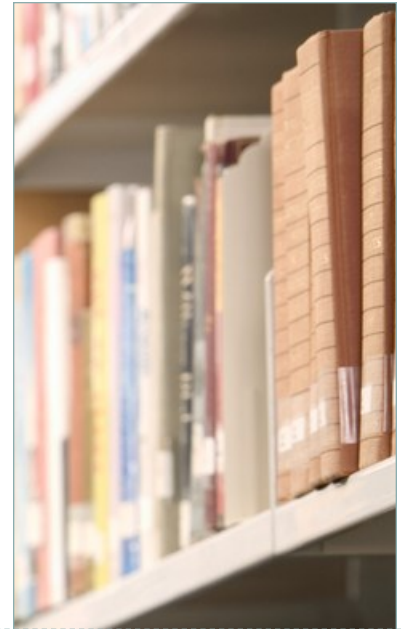
This story can fit 100-150 words.

The subject matter that appears in newsletters is virtually endless. You can include stories that focus on current technologies or innovations in your field.

You may also want to note business or economic trends, or make predictions for your customers or clients.

If the newsletter is distributed internally, you might comment upon new procedures or improvements to the business. Sales figures or earnings will show how your business is growing.

Some newsletters include a column that is updated every issue, for instance, an advice column, a book review, a letter from the president, or an editorial. You can also profile new employees or top customers or vendors.



“To catch the reader's attention, place an interesting sentence or quote from the story here.”

INSIDE STORY HEADLINE

This story can fit 150-200 words.

One benefit of using your newsletter as a promotional tool is that you can reuse content from other marketing materials, such as press releases, market studies, and reports.

While your main goal of distributing a newsletter might be to sell your product or service, the key to a successful newsletter is making it useful to your readers.

A great way to add useful content to your newsletter is to develop and write your own articles, or include a calendar of upcoming events or a special offer that promotes a new product.

You can also research articles or find “filler” articles by accessing the World Wide Web. You can write about a variety of topics but try to keep your articles short.

Much of the content you put in your newsletter can also be used for your Web site. Microsoft Publisher offers a simple way to convert your newsletter to a Web publication. So, when you're finished writing your newsletter, convert it to a Web site and post it.

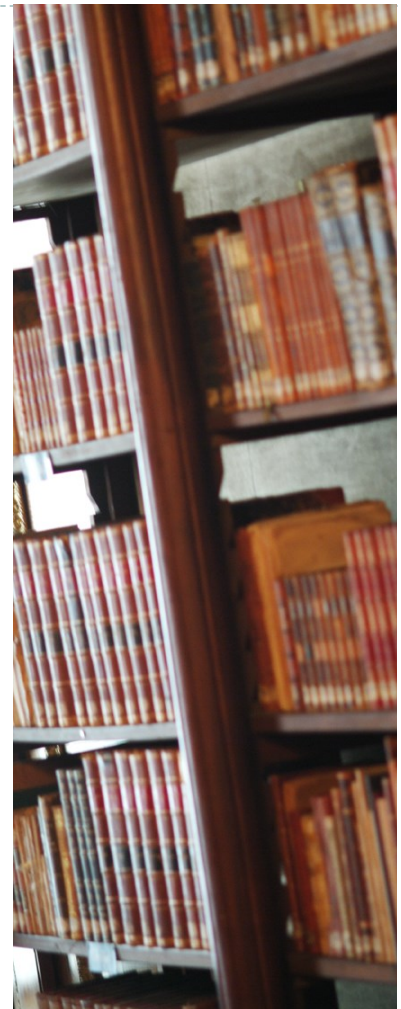
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YOUR ORGANIZATION

This would be a good place to insert a short paragraph about your organization. It might include the purpose of the organization, its mission, founding date, and a brief history. You could also include a brief list of the types of products, services, or programs your organization offers, the geographic area covered (for example, western U.S. or European markets), and a profile of the types of customers or members served.

It would also be useful to include a contact name for readers who want more information about the organization.

BACK PAGE STORY HEADLINE

This story can fit 175-225 words.

If your newsletter is folded and mailed, this story will appear on the back. So, it's a good idea to make it easy to read at a glance.

A question and answer session is a good way to quickly capture the attention of readers. You can either compile questions that you've received since the last edition or you can summarize some generic questions that are frequently asked about your organization.

A listing of names and titles of managers in your organization is a good way to give your newsletter a personal touch. If your organization is small, you may want to list the names of all employees.

If you have any prices of standard products or services, you can include a listing of those here. You may want to refer your readers to any other forms of communication that you've created for your organization.

You can also use this space to remind readers to mark their calendars for a regular event, such as a breakfast meeting for vendors every third Tuesday of the month, or a biannual charity auction.

If space is available, this is a good place to insert a clip art image or some other graphic.

Your Organization

Primary Business Address
Your Address Line 2
Your Address Line 3
Your Address Line 4

Phone: 555-555-5555

Fax: 555-555-5555

E-mail: someone@example.com

PLEASE
PLACE
STAMP
HERE

Mailing Address Line 1
Mailing Address Line 2
Mailing Address Line 3
Mailing Address Line 4
Mailing Address Line 5



YOUR LOGO
HERE