# **EPISCOPAL DAY SCHOOL**

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## <u>Newsletter</u>

# September 2018

#### Dear Parents:

We are thrilled to have you with us for the Episcopal Day School's 59<sup>th</sup> year! Here is a list of our exceptional 2018-2019 staff:

- 2K Blue Bird Classes: Ms. Laura & Mrs. Melanie
- 3-Day 3K Yellow Bird Class: Mrs. Duncan & Mrs. Andrus
- 5-Day 3K Yellow Bird Class: Mrs. Russell & Mrs. "B" (B for Blanding)
- 4K Red Bird Class: Mrs. Nash & Ms. Ayana
- Early Morning Care: Ms. Laura & Ms. Ayana
- After School Care: Mrs. Nash, Ms. Laura, and Mrs. Amy Rawls (Ms. Ayana 12:30-2:00)
- Creative Movement: Mrs. Duncan
- Music: Mrs. Andrus
- Spanish: Mrs. Russell
- Church Sexton: Mr. Jim Hylkema

Drop-off for class is from 8:45 to 9:00a.m. School begins at 9:00a.m. Please value the importance of your child's prompt arrival every day. Late arrival can be upsetting to a child when he/she misses the beginning of class and has to "fit in" to an activity already in progress. How he/she starts off the day, sets the tone for his/her day. It also disrupts the teachers and other children to have interruptions after class time starts. If you arrive late, after 9:00, park in a parking space, ring the doorbell and walk your child inside to his/her classroom. Please do not leave your car in the pick-up/drop-off line area. The doors are locked at 9:00 and all classes go to chapel from 9:15-9:30, during which the doorbell will not be answered. Please be respectful if you arrive during chapel time and wait until after 9:30 to ring the doorbell.

All parents, guardians and grandparents are invited to attend the Parent Advisory Council (PAC) meeting on September 5<sup>th</sup> at 11:15a.m. The group will meet in the adult library which is the first door on the left when you enter the building.

In celebration of the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi, Mother Suz will lead a Pet Blessing for EDS at 9:15a.m. on Monday, October 1<sup>st</sup>. All pets of EDS families are welcome to this brief service of prayer for our furry, scaly, or wiggly animal friends. Parents should gather with pets in the breezeway, under the bell tower. The teachers will bring the students out to join pets and parents at 9:15a.m.

I welcome you to bring questions or concerns to my, or to a teacher's, attention. You may call, e-mail, or speak with us to schedule a meeting date/time. The Lead Teacher's e-mail addresses are provided on pages 8-9 of the <u>Parent Handbook</u>. Blessings,

Suzanne Watkins, swatkins@holytrinityclemson.org

## SPECIAL DATES

- Sept. 3 Labor Day Holiday, EDS is Closed
- Sept. 5 PAC Meeting 11:15a.m.
- Sept. 7 EDS Volunteer Training at 11:15a.m.
- Oct. 1 Pet Blessing at 9:15a.m.
- Oct. 5 Field Trip: 3-Day 3K & 4K Classes
- Oct. 7 Day School Sunday at Holy Trinity Church 10:30a.m. worship service
- Oct. 9 Jacob Dean Photography 2-Day 2K, 5-Day 2K, and 4K classes
- Oct. 10 Jacob Dean Photography 3-Day 2K, 3-Day 3K, and 5-Day 3K classes

### REMINDERS

Clip Box Tops for Education! Each Box Top is worth \$0.10 which helps buy supplies for our school. Help us reach our goal of \$500 this year! Ingles Tools for Schools: School ID#22875 Go to www.inglestoolsforschools.com, select "Link Your Card," search and select "Episcopal Day School," then enter your name, email and Advantage Card number. This must be done at the beginning of EACH school year. When you make purchases using your Ingles Advantage Card, Ingles will give back to the school a portion of those sales. Please have your family, friends and neighbors link their cards, too! Invoices & Statements will be emailed on September 4<sup>th</sup>. Notify the school if you do not receive both by September 5<sup>th</sup>. The invoice provides details about your monthly fees, while the statement shows all invoices, payments and your account balance. Tuition and Extended Care payments are due by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. Checks can be placed in the grey payment box beside the school office door, or mailed to: Episcopal Day School, 193 Old Greenville Hwy., Clemson SC 29631. If you are paying cash, do not drop off the cash without receiving a receipt and make sure to bring exact bills and coins. A cash box is not kept in the school office. Overpayments received will be credited toward the following month's bill. An automatic late payment fee of \$20 will be added if your payment is not received by the 15<sup>th</sup>, regardless of attendance/days enrolled.