



## Have a great summer break!

### Principal's News

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Isn't summer break fun?! I hope you are enjoying some extra special time with your children. This is a great time of year to enjoy all the wonderful activities available to us in the beautiful southwest. I particularly love going to the zoo with my grandkids, taking a day trip to Madrid, NM and enjoying the summer sun by the pool. There are many, many opportunities to explore and learn as a family. I encourage you to try some of the ideas in the section called 'Summer Things to do in ABQ' on page 5 of this newsletter.

One of the ideas is to write to a soldier overseas. This is a great time to discuss many topics with your child, all while teaching them that just taking the time to write a letter, can make a big impact in someone's life. There is something so sweet and endearing about writing an old fashioned letter. A deserving soldier will love the innocent correspondence from a child. It is also a great way for you to see the progress your child has made in reading, writing

and penmanship!

Another great way to keep your child engaged academically is to read with them. I can't stress enough on how important it is to read with your child, no matter what age they are. Have a special time set aside everyday to have your child read to you or choose a novel that you can both read at the same time. Engage your child in a conversation about something in the book. Show them that you value their opinion of the book and challenge them to think outside of the box. Make reading fun; they will thank you when they are older!

The most important thing to do is to make special family memories over the summer break. Play a game, make a collage of pictures, paint the sunset, plant some flowers, create a family tree, go to the park; these are the memories that your child will cherish for years to come.

-Mary Jane Besante, TMES Principal

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual TMES Golf Tournament & Silent Auction

What a HUGE success! We are proud to announce that TMES raised a profit of about \$10,000 between the silent auctions and golf tournament. Great job everyone! The Parent Education Night with Jonathan Wolff was attended by over 100 people, with many happy shoppers leaving with great deals on several items. The golf tournament the next day had 92 players and several others enjoying the beautiful day at Isleta Eagle Golf Course. We had several teams come from the community at large and many said that they will be sure to make it an annual event for themselves! We have already tentatively scheduled next year's event for the last Saturday in April, the 24<sup>th</sup>.

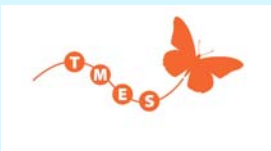
The Class Challenge Contest was also a huge success with many of the auction items coming from TMES families. Ms. Linda's class was the first place winners of the contest, with each child receiving a Nerf football as a thank you gift for all their hard work! Ms. Jenn and Ms. Monica's class won second place, with Ms. Susie's class coming in third place. Congrats and thank you! A lucky TMES family made the winning bid on the Beach Home Vacation item and will be enjoying it soon! The money raised from the events will go towards Assistants in the classrooms and musical instruments.

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## Office Notes....

- Remember to give TMES a copy of your child's latest immunization record. If you received a letter from Ms. Geri reminding you that your child's records are not up to date on the shots needed to be enrolled in public school, then please make sure that you send in the updated record ASAP!
- If you received a childcare invoice, please remember to have the balance paid by the start of school. Please call the school with any questions, etc.
- A registration packet has to be filled out for every student, every year. Please remember that your child will not be allowed to attend TMES until the registration packet is completed. Please see info on page 8 for registration dates!

## Kudos- We really want to thank...

We have some great parent volunteers who go above and beyond! Thank you for volunteering at TMES and making our school great!

Thank you

- Becky Caalim
- Ann Baca
- Joan Salisbury
- Missy Liotta
- Claudia Bender
- Catherine Cuslidge-DeValle
- Theresa and Keith Fleming
- Melissa and Chris Fangio and family
- Gloria and Chris Landavazo
- Darrla Giersch
- Laura Buell
- Jeremy Allender
- Amanda Heister

## And a HUGE thank you to...

**Gloria Landavazo  
Teresa Fleming  
& Melissa Fangio!**

These wonderful parents volunteered many, many hours of their time for the golf tournament and silent auction. Without their help, the event would not have been such a huge success. Thank you Gloria, Teresa and Melissa!

## TMES Fundraising

TMES currently has six on-going fundraisers. You can get additional info on [www.tmesnm.com](http://www.tmesnm.com) :

- **Octopus Car Wash Coupons-** They are back! The new set of coupons doesn't expire until **October 5th**. Every \$15 coupon we sell, we get to keep \$7.50 of it! This is an easy way to help raise money for our school. Order forms have been sent via email or you can get an order form on [www.tmesnm.com](http://www.tmesnm.com). The coupons make great gifts too! Tell friends, family and co-workers about this great opportunity! They are great for teacher gifts, graduation gifts, employee/client perks, etc!
- **The Brick Campaign-** Don't leave TMES without leaving your mark! This would be a great graduation gift for all those students moving on from TMES. Order forms are available online. Sample bricks are located in the entryway of the school. What an excellent way to support our school and give a gift that will 'last forever' for only \$100! Get those order forms in now!
- **Smith's Earn and Learn Program-** We have set up a new school account with Smith's so please link your FreshValues card to TMES! You can enroll yourself online by going through a few easy steps. Just go to: [http://www.smithsfoodanddrug.com/mysmiths/Pages/earn\\_and\\_learn.aspx](http://www.smithsfoodanddrug.com/mysmiths/Pages/earn_and_learn.aspx) and click on 'enroll'. Follow the simple steps from there to set-up your account to link to TMES. The easiest way to find our school on the list is to type in the bar code/UPC number: 0000080111 or 'The Montessori'. The enrollment is valid until 9/30/09. You must re-enroll each year. Thanks for participating!
- **Box Tops for Education-** TMES has already earned \$901.00 in Box Tops money! Please continue to collect the Box Tops over the summer and send them in to TMES in a zip-loc bag with your child's name on the bag for a quarterly raffle for prizes in the fall.
- **Target-** Don't forget to designate TMES as your school if you have a Target card! Call 1-800-316-6142 to do so.
- **Bingo-** Check out the info on page 4 or go to the website [www.rt66bingo.com](http://www.rt66bingo.com) for more information!

## TMES is going green!

You are receiving this via email only so that we can reduce the use of paper, ink, and resources. If you would like to add or change email addresses on file, please email MJ at: [msams@tmesnm.com](mailto:msams@tmesnm.com). You can add as many email addresses as you like!

## Ms. Kari's Corner

We have so much to be proud of as we look back through our school year. I hope everyone in our TMES Community is enjoying their summer. Not only does summer award us a break from the school day, it also gives us the opportunity to share more and do more as a family. I hope we can all take advantage of this juncture and plan activities and outings that promote community building within our family structure.

Along with all these fun experiences we may be planning, there is also the reality that not every day can be a picnic. As my own 9 year old daughter wants to stay up late, sleep in, and I find myself stepping over her socks in the hallway, I am reminded about structure. We try so hard through out the school year to provide structure in the Montessori environment, there must be a way to translate that to the home for the next few months.

I began entertaining the idea of a chore chart...Not the kind with stars and rewards, just the jobs and choices written down, similar to a work proposal/plan used in the classroom. During the school year, students follow their plan to help them achieve their social and academic goals. During the summer, students could follow their plan to help them achieve their house chores and summer academic requirements.

The Montessori Method promotes child discovery and responsibility to one's environment, my method at home should not stray too far away from those ideals. I have found a chore chart \* that includes ideas for children aged 2-12 and denotes appropriate ages for certain chores...very Montessori. From this chart I chose chores that my daughter would enjoy performing. I also added a few of the summer academics that I know will keep my daughter on track for the start of school in August, reading and math facts. Our chore chart is hanging on the fridge and we are reminded to check it daily.

Just one week in and the payoff is already evident. It has been a little more work for me in the onset. For instance, explaining to her... if sweeping the floor is a chore you claim to have finished, why am I still walking on cheese left over from the quesadilla you made for yourself for lunch? Going back to Montessori, I quickly give a mini-lesson about brooms, proper sweeping and dustpan use and now we are cheese free. (Funny how a child can look at you with amazement as you show them a task for the 10<sup>th</sup> time, as if they have never seen it before...☺)

Along with our house chores, we are also incorporating reading and math. Sharing books and ideas about stories is something children never outgrow. We are reading for pleasure, as well as discussion about characters, setting, and new vocabulary. Math is also something we have on the chore chart. We are using the computer for math games, timing the response to flash cards, and following fractions on recipes to round out the math. So far, so good!

And finally when my daughter asked what chores were going to be on my chore chart? Without hesitation, I responded that number one was to grind the beans for my morning cup of coffee.

Have a great summer, practice reading and math, and have your child fulfill responsibilities that will give them a sense of ownership and accomplishment as your summer continues. ~Ms. Kari

\* Go to [www.TMESNM.com](http://www.TMESNM.com) homepage to be directed to the 'chore chart' with age appropriate chores.

## Did you know...

- TMES rose close to \$300 at the Sunflower Market BBQ for the Music Department on Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup>! And TMES students raised an additional \$180 in their violin cases playing for the crowd for a total of almost \$500! Thank you to everyone who helped and participated!
- [www.TMESNM.com](http://www.TMESNM.com) is continuing to be updated throughout the summer with our new logo, colors and lots of info. Check it out!
- Over half of TMES students will have a supply kit waiting for them on the first day of school!
- We more than **tripled** the profit made on the golf tournament and silent auction this year from the last tournament!
- Ms. Phyllis had two TMES parents, Ms. Mar Wagner and Ms. Kim Sanchez, as guest artists. Both artists taught a few lessons to TMES students. Take a look at Ms. Phyllis' page on the website for some great pictures!
- TMES merchandise is still available! The link to the website is on the TMESNM.com homepage.

## Box Tops for Education

A special thank you to those parents and students who are actively collecting box tops. Keep those Box Tops coming in! We have collected over \$650.00 in just 6 months. I encourage everyone to sign-up at [btfe.com](http://btfe.com) for additional ways our school can earn money through the box top program. General Mills Box Tops program is willing to hand out **\$20,000 annually per school!** Imagine what TMES could do with \$20,000.

Congratulations to the following students whose names were drawn at random for the BEN & JERRY's Ice Cream Raffle:

Samuel Box  
Maddie Weber  
James Heister  
Rachel Flynn  
Terrin Dickey  
Katie Dunworth

Keep collecting over the Summer Break. We are putting together an awesome prize, probably something for the class, so this will be a group reward.

-Cici DeValle, Box Tops Coordinator

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## Fine Arts Fundraiser Notes

Thank you to all of the parents who volunteered for the bookfair. Theresa Fleming and CiCi Devalle helped for three or more afternoons! Ms. Phyllis, Ms. Canice, and Ms. Alissa appreciate all of your time and dedication! New materials will be bought for each of the Fine Arts classrooms. ~Ms. Canice

Cici Devalle  
Jane Burns  
Theresa Fleming  
Samantha Madrid  
Peggy Star  
Sharon Richardson  
Lisa Tucker  
Claudia Bender

Thank you to all of the families that helped for the Sunflower Market Fundraiser. The students who played their violins came very close to matching the proceeds that were earned! A special thank you to the Dads who grilled! ~Ms. Canice

Darla Giersch  
Landavazo Family  
Fangio Family  
Iverson Family  
Theobald Family  
Fleming Family  
Frouge Family  
Jane Burns  
Ms. Phyllis  
Naomi Misquez

## Kindergarten 100<sup>th</sup> Day Celebration

Our Kinder students collected pennies for their 100<sup>th</sup> day celebration this year to benefit the Watermelon Mountain Ranch Animal Shelter. Here is an excerpt from The Ranch:

### "Change" Their Lives Contest

*Thank you so much to those of you who participated! Here are our top three, with prizes going to the Winner and Second-Place:*

*\*The Winner is the Kindergarten classes of the Montessori Elementary School, whose effort was coordinated by Monica Manly. Ms. Manly and Students, we thank you for all your work in collecting all those pennies!!! We were going to award a gift card to the movies, but will instead award a Wal-Mart gift card so Ms. Manly can treat everyone to cupcakes or perhaps fun things that have no sugar in them!*

We are very proud of our students! Instead of using the \$25 gift card for themselves, the money was sent back to The Ranch. Congratulations to all of our Kindergarten students for making a difference in our community!

## Route 66 Bingo Fundraiser

We are excited to announce a wonderful fundraising opportunity that our very own Montessori Education Foundation has secured for us! Every Wednesday and Thursday evenings, Route 66 Bingo will be running two sessions a night (for a total of 4 sessions a week) to benefit TMES! Doors open at 5:30pm, first number called at 7:00pm. The Montessori Education Foundation has worked closely with one of our TMES families to make this awesome opportunity happen. And the best part is, we are not asking you to do a thing!! The bingo sessions will be on-going year-round and the organization of the fundraiser will be taken care of exclusively by The Montessori Education Foundation to benefit TMES students. Bingo is for everyone who wants to have fun while raising funds for our community! All ages are welcome. Every session benefits a worthy local non-profit organization, including TMES! If you are interested in playing bingo, please check out their website [www.rt66bingo.com](http://www.rt66bingo.com) or call 505-298-4169 for more information. Thank you Montessori Education Foundation and Route 66 Bingo for supporting our school!

## Summer Things to do in ABO

- **Make a Soldiers Day-** One of our TMES fathers, Parker Niemann, is a doctor serving in the Air Force overseas. Dr. Niemann said he would love to receive letters from home and so would patients at his hospital. He will gladly distribute anything that he receives to some deserving serviceman. The mail is always appreciated but may not always be reciprocated! It would be a wonderful gift to our dedicated soldiers at war to receive a picture or letter from a child and it would be a great way for us to show our appreciation for their service. It only costs the normal \$.44 domestic stamp to send the picture or letter to get there in 10 days. The address to send to is:  
Parker Niemann  
TF Med / CSC  
APO AE 09354
- **Rust Removal at TMES-** Ms. Canice and Ms. Alissa are offering free violin help during the summer at TMES. Open to all ages, they will be tuning violins, handing out sheets of music and doing individual and/or group help lessons in every session. Please park around the back of the school and walk up the ramp. Each session is 45 minutes long.
  - June 29th 9:15AM
  - June 30th 5:30PM
  - July 14th 9AM
  - July 15th 2:30PM
  - July 25th 2PM
  - July 27th 2:30PM
  - July 27th 6PM
  - August 3rd 5:30PM
  - August 5th 2:30PM
- **New Mexico Aquatic Resources Education Program-** Learn to fish from a Pro for Free! Visit: [http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/education/project\\_wild/ProjectWILDAquaticResourcesEducationProgram.htm](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/education/project_wild/ProjectWILDAquaticResourcesEducationProgram.htm) for more info on this free, fun, family activity.
- **NM BioPark Society-** Visit their website at <http://www.bioparksociety.org/society> for fun family activities, ideas, discounts, events, etc.
- **Albuquerque Public Libraries-** For free events and Storytime at libraries all across Albuquerque, visit: <http://www.cabq.gov/library/activity.html>.
- **Disney's Alice in Wonderland Jr. -** TMES's own Rachel Berry is performing in the play! Public performances go on July 10-19 — Fridays at 2:00 & 7:00 pm; Saturdays at 7:00 pm & Sundays at 2:00 pm — at the Jim Morley Theater, St. Pius X High School, 5301 St. Josephs Drive NW, Albuquerque, NM 87120. General admission is \$10. Purchase advance tickets by phone at (505) 831-8406, or at the theater 30 minutes before show times. Group discount: \$5 tickets for groups of 10 or more. This is a great opportunity for family fun and to support a TMES student at the same time!

## Thank you, Farewell, and Welcome!

Thank you and farewell to Ms. Linda, Ms. Meredith, Ms. Evonne, Ms. Kim, Mr. Loric, Ms. Allie, Ms. Lora and Ms. Susie for all of your hard work and dedication in the 2008-2009 school year. We wish you the best and continued success in all of your endeavors.

A huge TMES welcome to Mr. Lee, Ms. Karen, Ms. Mary, Ms. Donna, Ms. Loretta, Mr. Joel and Mr. Derek! We are excited to have you join our awesome school and we look forward to getting to know you! We know that you will enjoy your time at TMES and will bring a lot to our program.

Welcome back to Ms. Angie and Ms. Samantha! Ms. Angie and Ms. Samantha are both coming back to TMES after a year break. Ms. Angie joined her husband out of the country for work and Ms. Samantha had her beautiful little boy Graham last year! They will both be teaching in the 6-9 group. We are glad to have you back! Stayed tuned for further information about more new staff members joining us for the 2009-2010 school year.



## Welcome New Office Staff!

**Loretta Olson, TMES Secretary-** Hi, I'm Loretta Olson, the new secretary. I am a native New Mexican and have six years experience working in a school setting. I'm excited to be at TMES as it seems like an interesting and fun place to work. Please be patient with me as I learn my new responsibilities. It's going to be a great year! Come by the office to introduce yourself. I can hardly wait to meet all of the parents, students & staff!



**Donna Martens, TMES Admin. Assistant-** Donna comes to us from Virginia. She has lived in Albuquerque for one year. She has twenty years of administrative experience under her belt. She previously also taught business and marketing courses in high school. She enjoys cross stitching and boating. Donna is looking forward to an exciting and eventful year at TMES!

## TMES welcomes our new classroom staff members:

### TMES Teacher



**Lee Elliott, 9-12 Teacher-** My name is Lee A Elliott, born in Surrey, England. I am looking forward to becoming an active member of TMES along with my Chinese-American wife (Karen) and new born son. I am especially pleased to join the 9-12 section, which is an age group I have always enjoyed working with. I have 20-years experience teaching in Montessori schools internationally. After working some years in nursing, I began to teach in France, before completing my early childhood Montessori diplomas and relocating to Sweden. There I was lucky enough to be mentored by some of the most influential faces of the Montessori community in Europe. I soon become head teacher, and went on the complete my 6-9, and 9-12 diplomas with St. Nicholas Montessori Teaching College, London. Since then, I have taught in a number of countries, incorporating Montessori with national curricula, and initiated a number of projects and community initiatives. Most importantly, I ran my own small school in New Zealand for the best part of ten years, developing and enhancing the bridge between a Montessorian approach, and modern demands on education and the learning process. I have since gained a bachelor of education and post-graduate papers in journalism from Massey University, NZ. My academic strengths are literacy and science, which I have taught up to high school level. My interests include creative writing, photography, making short movies, and sculpture.  
~Lee A Elliott B.Ed. Adv.Mont.Dip. TESOL

### Educational Assistants



**Karen Ip, TMES E.A.-** My name is Karen Ip; I am from Cherry Hill, NJ. I will be joining TMES, along with my English husband in the 9-12 section. I am looking forward to becoming a member of the school and the years that lie ahead. An experienced flight attendant, I began teaching on the East coast, having completed my Bachelor of Education at Temple University. I worked extensively in special education, before spending a year teaching in South Korea. It was there I met my husband (Lee). After seeing his classes in action, and listening to his ideas and philosophy, I became inspired to study Montessori education, finally gaining certification from North American Montessori Center. My husband and I have since lived in Hawaii and San Francisco, while waiting for the birth of our first son. It has been a long process looking for a school and area where we can put down roots. After many offers across the country, we are very pleased to find TMES, which offers the best of the public and private sectors, complimenting our training, and offering a community and environment where we confident our family can grow and thrive. With Chinese-American heritage, I have a working knowledge of Cantonese, a truly warm empathy for children, and a keen desire to contribute.

### Update- Welcome Baby Jay!

Jay Francis Elliott was born on June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 5:41 pm in San Francisco. He is a beautiful, healthy, not-so-little boy, weighing in at 8 pounds 10 ounces! Karen and Lee are doing well; both loving parenthood. Lee writes in an email (with a 3:53 am timestamp) "...Hard to get a photo of Jay awake, he's either grimacing for milk, feeding, or asleep." The family will be moving to Albuquerque in the next few weeks. Welcome to the World Baby Jay!



## Educational Assistants continued



**Mary Carrasco, TMES E.A.**- My name is Mary Carrasco and I am very excited to be joining TMES this year. I have been blessed to work with children in different capacities throughout the years. My experience includes; Technology Coordinator and One-On-One Special Educational Assistant in an elementary school right here in Albuquerque. I have also spent many, many hours volunteering in my own children's classrooms. I absolutely love being in the classroom with the kids! I learn something new every single day. Most recently I have had the opportunity to be at home with my daughter and my son. My family and my dogs are the lights of my life!!! If you happen to catch me on what I would consider a "perfect day" I would be reading a great book on my porch with my miniature schnauzer, Chili, lying next to me. My husband and kids would be close by telling me to watch the hummingbirds buzz by. Add chocolate chip cookies, along with a beautiful sunset and life is fantastic. I look forward to a great year!

**Joel Miller, TMES E.A.**- My name is Joel Miller and I am currently going to school for a degree in Elementary Education. I like music, art, different languages, and the outdoors in general. I've lived all over New Mexico and enjoy very New Mexican things, such as rock climbing, the Balloon Fiesta and green chili (as well as red). I live here in Albuquerque, with my cat, Malico, and have no desire to live anywhere else. I look forward to meeting you!



**Derek Kostelecky, TMES E.A.**- I have lived in Albuquerque since I was 18 months old; I love New Mexico, and am proud of what its people can do. I am a product of Albuquerque Public Schools, and am also proud of that. Recently I graduated from the College of Santa Fe - Albuquerque, which sadly, no longer exists. I learned a great deal there about teaching, but also about myself, and I am excited to put some of that learning to use! I came into teaching a little later in life, but there are many teachers in my family, including my wife of almost 11 years, and they couldn't talk me out of it!

I will be an assistant at TMES so that I can learn the Montessori ropes, and I hope to teach in a 9 - 12 classroom someday. My daughter, Emma, is a third-year at TMES, and her cousin Abigail is starting at TMES as a kindergartener. My daughter blossomed in the Montessori environment, and I felt like it was the kind of environment that I would also blossom in as a teacher. I look forward to an exciting first year at TMES!

## Kindergarten Orientation Information

Welcome Kindergarten class of 2009-2010! A Kindergarten Orientation, with an abbreviated schedule, will be held the first week of school for ALL incoming kindergarten students to allow students to acclimate to their new environment as a group. Each kinder family will also have a meeting with their child's teacher, which will give teachers time to meet with the child and parents individually to answer any questions.

The abbreviated schedule for Kindergarten for the first week of school is as follows:

- **Wednesday, August 19<sup>th</sup> - Friday, August 21<sup>st</sup>** - Class begins at 9:00 am and ends at 12:00 pm (*Kindergarten students only!*) Individual meetings with parent, child and teacher will begin at 1:00 pm. (Schedule to follow soon)
- **Monday, August 24<sup>th</sup>** - *normal TMES school schedule*. Class begins at 9:00 am and ends at 3:30 pm (All TMES students).

Please remember that no parents/visitors are allowed in the classroom for the first two weeks of school. After the two week period, you may speak with the teacher about observation times and/or volunteering in the classroom. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding!

Remember to supply your child with a healthy lunch (no candy, soda, etc.) **every day!** *This includes the abbreviated schedule days.* TMES does not have lunches or food available for purchase.

\*\*\* Kindergarten teachers have requested that each student add to the supply list, a nap mat available at Walmart, online or various other places. The mat should be a vinyl covered, foldable type with your child's name written in sharpie. If you ordered school supplies with SchoolKidz online, the supplies will be delivered to the school. If you did not order school supplies with SchoolKidz online, please bring your Kinder students supplies to the individual parent meeting.



### Collaborative Council

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## Quick Notes

- Parents of all grade levels - Please remember that for the first two weeks of school, no visitors are allowed in the classroom. Please say goodbye at the door or at the drive thru drop off. Thank you for your cooperation!
- If you would like to volunteer in the classroom after the first two weeks of school, please see Ms. Loretta for a finger print packet.
- MJ will be sending out a carpool email again, looking for area carpool leaders. If you are interested in being your area's carpool leader, please email MJ at [msams@tmesnm.com](mailto:msams@tmesnm.com).
- One of our Kinder parents wasn't able to get a recording of the talent show in May, 2009. If you happen to have a recording of the Kindergarten show, please email MJ at [msams@tmesnm.com](mailto:msams@tmesnm.com). They would greatly appreciate it!
- If you did not purchase school supplies from SchoolKidz, please bring the school supplies to TMES during registration days, if possible.

## First Day of School Notes

The first day of class for all TMES students is Wednesday, August 19<sup>th</sup>. We are excited to start the new school year! Parents will learn of their child's teacher assignment during registration week.

Here are some reminders for the first day:

6:45 am-8:30 am~ Before Care

8:30 am-9:00 am~ Drop-off

9:00 am~ Classes start for Kinder-6<sup>th</sup>

\*12:00 pm~ Classes end for **Kinder only** (abbreviated schedule for 1<sup>st</sup> week only, see details on page 7)

3:30 pm~ Classes end for 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade

3:30 pm-4:00 pm~ Pick-up

4:00 pm~ All students not picked up by 4:00 pm will immediately go to After Care and parents will be charged.

4:00 pm-6:00 pm~ After Care

- You will be happy to know that the childcare prices have stayed the same this year.
  - \$5 flat fee for Before Care
  - \$10 flat fee for After Care

Don't forget to pack your child a snack and lunch! Enjoy the rest of your summer break and we will see you bright and early on August 19<sup>th</sup>!

## Returning Student Registration Information

**Returning student registration is scheduled for August 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>. Please remember that parents must complete a registration packet for each child, every year. Your child will not be able to attend school until the registration packet is complete!** Please take a look at the schedule below to make arrangements as necessary in order to complete the registration packet(s) at TMES during these times. The packets *may not* be taken out of the building; they must be completed at the school. Allow yourself 30 minutes per packet. Thank you for your cooperation!

- **Monday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> – Friday, August 7<sup>th</sup>**- There are two blocks of time each day that are available to you to fill out the registration packets:
  - **8:00 am – 12:00 pm**
  - **1:00 pm – 4:00 pm**

Please make every effort to complete the process during these times. Our office staff will have a lunch break from 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm. If you absolutely cannot come in during these dates and times, please call the school for alternative times. Remember that registration must be *complete* before your child can return to school – the first day of school for students is August 19<sup>th</sup>. Come prepared to fill out the packet with your updated pick-up list, phone numbers, email addresses for correspondence, shot records, etc.

### \*\*\* Important Upcoming Events \*\*\*

#### August-

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> - Friday 7<sup>th</sup>- Returning student registration week from 8:00 am-noon & 1:00 pm-4:00 pm. *See above info.*

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>- First day of classes! (*\*Note- classes begin at 9:00 am this year and end at 3:30 pm*)

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> -Abbreviated schedule for *Kindergarteners only*- 9:00 am - noon. Individual Kinder meeting start @ 1:00.

#### September-

Monday 7<sup>th</sup>- Labor Day Holiday- **NO SCHOOL/NO CHILDCARE**

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> & Friday 25<sup>th</sup>- Parent Conferences- **NO SCHOOL/NO CHILDCARE**