

## **Annsworth Academy May 2012 Newsletter**

**Thank You** – Thank you to the Cameron family donating boy's clothing, the Wiley family donating dramatic play items, and the Lotero/Thomas family for donating watercolors, dry erase crayons, and a CD. Your donations are always put to good use and are greatly appreciated!

We would also like to thank Esposito's for their generous donation of vegetables, soil, and fertilizer for our spring planting.

**Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week** – Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup> through Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. Help us celebrate and honor our wonderful teachers and staff this week. A parent committee has been coordinating the events for this week. For more information, contact Tori Shamy (Zoe's mom) at 228-9449 (tori.shamy@gmail.com) or Whitney Marston at 459-7606 (wfmskm@embarqmail.com).

Annsworth is planning a Teacher Appreciation Luncheon on Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for some parent volunteers to supervise the children during naptime (1:00 pm until around 2:30 pm) to allow the teachers to enjoy the luncheon. If you are available and would like to help, a volunteer sign-up form is in the front office.

**2012-2013 School Year VPK Certificates of Eligibility Sign-Up - (For children who will be 4 years old by September 1, 2012)** On Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-6:00 PM, representatives from the Early Learning Coalition of the Big Bend Region will be here to sign children up for their VPK Eligibility Certificates. Proof of your child's age and Florida residency will be necessary to receive a certificate. Details about acceptable documentation have been distributed to eligible families and are available at the front desk.

If you are unable to attend this sign-up, you may go to the Early Learning Coalition's office at 1940 North Monroe St., Suite 70 (Ph: 385-0504) to get the VPK Eligibility Certificate. Please bring your child's VPK Eligibility Certificate to Annsworth no later than Friday, July 27, 2012. This will assure that your child will receive VPK funding and you will avoid the obligation of paying full tuition.

**Pre-K Graduation – Rooms 8, 9 & 10** – Pre-K parents are invited to attend their child's Pre-K Graduation on Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM. The Pre-K children have all been practicing some special songs and are excited about performing! The graduation will take place at Cornerstone Presbyterian Church – 2904 Kerry Forest Parkway. We have 56 Pre-Kindergarten Families and the Sanctuary seats approximately 200, so please limit the number of guests you invite.

Children need to arrive at Annsworth no later than 8:30 AM that day in order to get them ready for the graduation. Please dress your child nicely for the graduation and pictures, keeping in mind their comfort and safety (climbing up the steps of the stage). For those children coming back to Annsworth after the graduation, we will be happy to change your children into play clothes. Just bring play clothes in a labeled bag with a note to the teacher.

Between 9:30 and 9:45, the children will walk to the church with our Pre-K staff and parent volunteers. If we have inclement weather, then our children will be transported by parent volunteers.

Often, our families take their children with them for the remainder of the day. We will have a clipboard with copies of our sign in/out sheets for you to sign your child out if they will not be returning to Annsworth with the staff and other children.

**Memorial Day Holiday** – Annsworth will be closed on Monday, May 28<sup>th</sup> for the Memorial Day Holiday.

**Early Release** – Annsworth will close early on Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup>. Children must be picked up by Noon. Lunch will NOT be served this day. This early release day allows for our New Student Orientations in the afternoon.

**Summer Session** – Monday, June 4<sup>th</sup> begins our summer session. Children changing classrooms will do so on that day. The Summer Class Lists will be posted on Friday, May 25<sup>th</sup>.