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From Co-chairs April Adam and Sarah Holland

Let us be the first to extend a very warm welcome to all the families at Winton Road Nursery School! We are so excited to be able to serve as your Co-Chairs this year and to help ensure that every family has an enjoyable, enriching experience this school year. We would like to also welcome back our fabulous teaching staff! We are so fortunate to have them as the cornerstone of our preschool. Lastly, we would like to thank all those who volunteered for board positions and committee chair positions this year. Your hard work and dedication over the summer months and throughout the school year is greatly appreciated! Thank you!

September is such an exciting and busy time! And we know that whether you are new or returning family to WRNS, there are so many things to remember this month and the ones to come. Please note that in each monthly newsletter, there will be a Dates to Remember section. It's our hope that this feature will help keep everyone in the loop regarding important events and deadlines at Winton Road Nursery School. It's also important to mention, that all WRNS parents are welcome to submit articles or related points of interest in the newsletter. We look forward to hearing from you!

Another important tool offered to WRNS parents is our main bulletin board, located just outside the Art Room. It is the hub of communication for the entire school and we encourage all parents to view it on a weekly basis. Such things as our registration forms, fundraising flyers, Friday Funtime sign-ups and a monthly snack calendar will be displayed there. Though information is also sometimes distributed through the children's school bags, the bulletin board is the main source of communication. We are also making a big effort this year to use our website www.wintonroad.org to communicate these things as well, so log on and take a look!

Please note that in an effort to conserve paper and help our environment, the snack calendar and art calendar will ONLY be available on our website and posted on the bulletin board, paper copies will not be made available. The monthly newsletter will be distributed by e-mail to parents and will be posted on our website. If you have any questions, please let us know.

Your feedback is appreciated! Please feel free to contact either one of us for any questions, concerns or suggestions you may have. We are looking forward to meeting each one of you if we haven't already. Have a happy, healthy and safe fall!

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Please Join Us...

Board Meetings

The next school board meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, October 14 at 7 pm in the school's Art Room**. Please note that all WRNS parents are invited and encouraged to attend a meeting or two throughout the school year. **Hope to see you there!**

Newsletter

The WRNS monthly newsletter welcomes your articles, images, and suggestions! **All submissions are due the Sunday after the Wednesday board meeting.** Please email all newsletter submissions to Lili Schwartz at lili@liliandben.com

DATES TO REMEMBER

September 2009

- 12 SAT** WRNS Workday
- 13 SUN** Newsletter articles due
- 14 MON** Parent/Child Orientation 3 day AM (9-9:30am or 9:30-10:00am)
Parent/Child Orientation 4 day PM (12:30 – 1:00pm or 1-1:30pm)
- 15 TUE** First Day 4 day PM – Parent Info Meeting 12:30 – 2:00 pm
Parent/Child Orientation 2 day am (9-9:30am or 9:30-10:00am)
- 16 WED** First Full day – 4 day PM 12:30-3:30pm
First Day 3 day AM- Parent Info Meeting 9-10:30am
- 17 THUR** First Day 2 day AM- Parent Info Meeting 9-10:30am
- 18 FRI** First full day – 3 day AM 9-12pm
- 21 MON** Mon/Tue Young Nursery (YNS) Parent/Child Orientation
- 22 TUE** First Day Mon/Tue (YNS) – Parent Info Meeting 9-10:30am
First full day 2 day AM 9:00-12:00pm
- 23 WED** Wed/Thur Young Nursery (YNS) Parent/Child Orientation
- 24 THUR** First Day Wed/Thur (YNS) – Parent Info Meeting 9-10:30am

October 2009

- 14 WED** Board meeting, Art Room, 7pm

2009-2010 WRNS Board Members

Chairpersons..... Sarah Holland
April Adam
Assistant Chair..... Ginny Reynolds
Secretary Gina Ludwig
Treasurer..... Stephanie Chiumento, Kathy Reid
Admin. Registrar..... Amy Roode
Tour Registrars..... Pam Viggiani, Adjuah VanKeken
Scholarship Chairperson Lisa Weld
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Publicity Chairpersons Kellie Downes
Parent Rep Chairperson Alison Guage
Cleaning Committee Staci Pfeffer, Lisa Polvino
Church Liaison..... Mary Finucane
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Copying..... Johnna Nuefeglise
Babysitting Melisa Kieffer
Scholastic Alisa Hall
Substitutes Sarah Horeth
Supplies Nicole Benoit

WRNS Teacher Email Addresses!

Listed below are a set of guidelines that we would like each parent to keep in mind when using email to communicate with their child's respective teacher. Please note that email communication should not be used as replacement for phone calls or conferences, but rather to augment them. It is simply a means to broaden the contact between teachers and families and we hope that it's useful. Phone calls are still encouraged and welcomed!

Guidelines for WRNS Email Communication

- Please do not email absence notices, early excusals, permission for another individual to pick-up your child, etc. to your teacher. They will only be checking their accounts 1-2 a week and may not get the message in time. Please continue to call the office (442-8340) or speak to your teacher in person with such matters.
- Please feel free to use email should you want to schedule a time to call your teacher at home, to schedule a time to meet in person, or to relay simple information regarding your child to them. Serious matters should still be discussed via the phone or in person.
- We need your feedback! As this is a pilot program, we would appreciate your input regarding this resource as the year moves forward.

Greetings from Mrs. Ziegler and Mrs. Parker and the WRNS Staff

Welcome to another year at Winton Road Nursery School. The start of school in September is always a special time in your child's life. We eagerly await the opportunity to provide a fun filled year and make your child's transition to school a smooth one. Soon your child will be making new friends and experiencing all the exciting activities our program offers.

Please pay particular attention to the times of the first few days of school. For many of the children this is their first experience away from Mom and Dad. The first day parents and children meet the teacher, look around the rooms and get acquainted with their classmates. The second day is a 1/2 day. The children stay with the teacher and the moms, dads or babysitters attend a meeting where they will get important information about school. The third day will be the children's first full day. We feel this gradual entrance helps children get off to a smooth start. Young Nursery follows a slightly different schedule in terms of start up times.

As the school year begins the teachers have a couple of requests. In your child's tote bag please include extra clothes and wipes if you feel your child would prefer his/her own clothes in case of an accident. Also, please label all of your child's belongings. We cannot stress enough how helpful this is to us.

We have had the question arise as to what goes into the decision to place a child in a certain class. The following factors are taken into consideration: age of the child, gender balance of the class, and social and emotional readiness of the child. We ask that you trust the teacher's judgment and have faith in our combined years of experience in teaching young children.

A special thanks to our board members and committee chairs who have been hard at work for the last month helping us get ready to start school.

Once again on behalf of the whole staff, we are looking forward to our first day, seeing the excited smiles of children and parents and getting into the swing of school.

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