

the Academy

First Press

March in the Academy

March winds will BLOW-let's hope NO MORE SNOW! The children are learning about God's love for them and his world as the first signs of Spring appear. Lots of wind activities - kites, sailboats, bubbles; also, the color green and Irish customs to introduce St. Patrick's Day!



March 2010 Edition

Points of interest:

March 26

Grandparents Day

March 27-April 4

Academy Closed for Spring Break.

May 3

A Night Out on the Academy

May 19

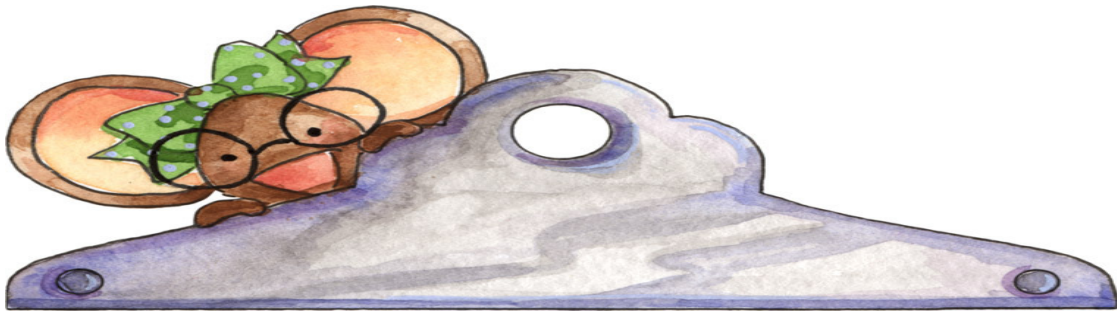
Spring Sing

LUNCH BUDDIES REGISTRATION:

You will receive your Lunch Buddies Registration forms (together with the spreadsheet of fee calculations by day) in the children's bags March 22 and 23. **They will be due on March 31 to guarantee your spot.** We will staff it according to the responses received. New to school students forms will be mailed out on March 24. Remember, it is always better to sign up for the maximum you think you will need—then drop!

IN GENERAL:

1. NO UNATTENDED PARKED CARS IN THE DRIVEWAY!!! Mr. Jim—our wonderful security guard, has asked to remind parents that the car line is really an Emergency Vehicle/Fire Lane. When late or picking up children early, please park in a parking spot and walk to either sign in or come in. When cars are parked in both drive up lanes, no emergency vehicles can enter the church property via Washington Avenue!
2. PUNCTUALITY IS IMPORTANT. We are seeing more and more "tardy" parents. Most classes are actively starting their day by the time the doors have been closed! Your child may have missed a very important part of the day!



PTO News

The Scholastic Book Fair was very successful with nearly \$5,000 in total sales which provides \$2850 for books and teacher materials in our library. We want to especially thank Kristin Young and all our Book Fair volunteers for their hard work. Another benefit of the Book Fair was that the One 4 Books program raised \$105 for CDS! Kristin Bailey took the check over this week and they were very grateful.

Due to the success of this year's Fall Festival, the PTO was able to install new computer systems in each of the 13 classrooms that did not have working computer systems. A special thank you to CAD Futures for their efforts in making this happen and to Kristin Bailey for coordinating this project. We are currently working on a mobile computer lab with several laptops for our students to use in the classroom setting. We will need 8-12 laptops to complete this project. If you have a laptop to donate to this project, please let us know.

The Annual Art Festival is fast approaching! Enjoy "A Night Out on the Academy" with your Academy friends! This annual event will be held on **Monday, May 3** at **6:00 PM** at the **UPCOUNTRY HISTORY MUSEUM!** More details to follow next month!

Grandparents' and Special Friends' Day

Grandparents' and Special Friends' Day will be on Friday, March 26th. There is a breakfast for Grandparents and Special Friends *only* from 8:00 am until 10:00 am in Fellowship Hall with a program by the Elementary Students. Preschool students will be awaiting their grandparents in their classrooms. We welcome all Grandparents in the preschool classrooms from 10:00 am until 11:00 am. Tuesday/Thursday students and their grandparents are welcome to come to school that day as well from 10:00 am until 11:00 am. Refreshments will be provided in the preschool classrooms. Preschool dismissal will be at 12:00. There will be **NO LUNCH BUDDIES OR LATE STAY**. Spring Break follows immediately after dismissal.



Mother's Morning Out

Fall Registration—Don't Miss the Date!!

FPC members and MMO/FPA Legacies- beginning Monday, March 1 at 9am

Open registration- begins Monday, March 8 at 9am

Download forms at <http://www.firstpresgreenville.org/mmo.htm>.
Bring completed forms along with the registration fees on the appropriate date.

Summer Fun—Up to Rising 1st Graders!!

Join us for Summer Bible Camp!

Who? Infants through rising 1st graders

What? Fun, Fun, Fun on the High Seas Expedition

Where? First Pres

When? Up to 6 weeks this summer
(see website for exact session dates)

How? Come to registration on
March 1st

<http://www.firstpresgreenville.org/mmo.htm>



Alaskan Mission Trip Fundraiser

*FPC Alaska Mission Team 2010 is gathering items for a Silent Auction and Garage Sale to be held on **Saturday, May 8th**. Donations of: **Weeks stay at vacation homes, gift certificates, art work, vendor marketing items, exercise equipment, furniture, etc...** for our Silent Auction would be GREATLY appreciated! Tax deductible receipts will be given for every Silent Auction donation. If you have items that you would like to donate to the garage sale, please deliver them to the church. Contact Evelyn Penkert or Karen King for assistance. All profits from these sales will go toward the Alaska 2010 Missions through SEND, INT. Thank you for your prayers and support!*