



First Presbyterian Weekday School

116 South Loudoun Street – www.fpwds.com

The Giving Tree

Shel Silverstein's unforgettable children's book, "The Giving Tree," has been praised as a tale on the joyful gift of giving. This year we are very excited to present our Giving Tree at the annual auction and spaghetti dinner! Decorated by our Weekday School children, our Giving Tree will feature items and/or monetary donations requested by our fabulous teachers & staff. Your donations will go towards learning materials, classroom and activities, and will impact the daily classroom experience of our children. We are very thankful and appreciative of your generous support and are looking forward to presenting our Giving Tree in April.

Auction

This year's auction will feature items made by each of our classrooms. Each year, our Parent Liaisons are instrumental in assisting our classes with this fun tradition. We will also be offering Ms. Lara's coveted parking space which is near the back door. This special item is available on a monthly basis. Please feel free to bid on one month or multiple months. People who win each month's bid will find a sign designating that the parking space is reserved for their family for their respective month. Happy bidding!

Spaghetti Dinner

Our annual spaghetti dinner will also be held on April 13th. This event has become an enjoyable ritual for our school family as an evening of connection and fellowship. Dinner will be served between 5:30 and 6:30 pm. Please feel free to attend when it best suits your family. Ticket order forms will be distributed with April's newsletter.

March 2016

School Calendar

March

Weds, Mar 2nd – NOON
DISMISSAL

Mon, Mar 7th – Sun, Mar 13th:
Winchester Area Temporary
Thermal Shelter (WATTS) 7 pm
– 7 am.

Thurs, Mar 10th – & Fri, Mar 11th
Parent Discussion (Positive
Intent: Positively Making it Up!)
at 9:15 in Room 208

Sun, Mar 13th – Daylight Savings
Time Begins. Remember to set
your clock forward!

Thurs, Mar 17th – & Fri, Mar 18th
Parent Liaison Meeting at 9:15 in
Room 208

Thurs, Mar 24th – Tues, Mar 29th
– NO SCHOOL Spring Break

Thurs, Mar 31st – Picture Day

April

Fri, Apr 1st – Picture Day

Weds, Apr 6th – NOON
DISMISSAL

Mon, Apr 11th – Fri Apr 15th
NAEYC Week of the Young
Child

Wed, Apr 13th Spaghetti Dinner,
Giving Tree & Auction at 5:30
pm in Fellowship Hall

Fri, Apr 29th – NO SCHOOL,
Apple Blossom Weekend Begins

Child Find Day at Northwestern Regional Educational Programs (NREP)

NREP will be hosting free screenings on Friday, March 4, 2016, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Who is eligible to attend?

- Children 18 months through 5 years-old who live in Frederick County or Winchester City school districts; and
- Children whose parents are concerned about their developmental level at this time.

Please contact NREP at the number located below to set an appointment.

Where?

1481 Senseny Road
Winchester, Virginia 22602

Contact Information:

(540) 665-0103

Empathy: Handling Fussing and Fits

Stop on by the Weekday School blog to read about how a simple formula can help our children when they are in a state of upset. Our blog can be found at <http://fpwds.com/category/blog/>

Positive Intent: Positively Making It Up

March's parent discussion will be centered around the act of looking at children's communication from a positive stance, and how it helps adults and children move to a place of problem solving. Please join us on Thursday, March 10th and Friday, March 11th at 9:15 am, in Room 208.



Picture Day is Right Around the Corner

Pictures are scheduled with LifeTouch Photography for Thursday, March 31st, and Friday, April 1st. If you have any questions, please let us know.

Attention: Parents of Rising Kindergartners!

Kindergarten registration for the 2016-2017 school year will be held at the following times and locations:

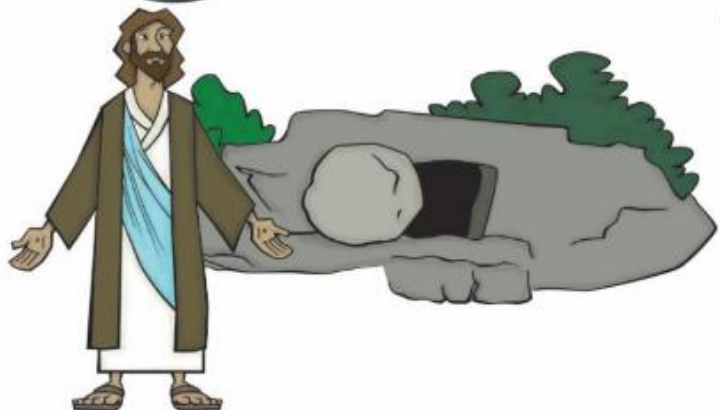
- Winchester City: March 10, 2016, from 4:00 pm - 7 pm at Daniel Morgan Middle School. For more information regarding registration, and for the enrollment requirements, please visit: <http://www.wps.k12.va.us/schinfo/registration2.html>
- Frederick County: March 7, 2016 - March 11, 2016 at individual elementary schools. For more information, and to find your school zone, please visit: http://www.frederick.k12.va.us/pages/Frederick_County_PS/Departments/Student_Support_Services/School_Counseling_Services/Enrollment_Registration_Inform
- Clarke County: Open House on March 15, 2016 at the D.G. Cooley Lower Campus. If you have questions, please call (540) 955-6100.

FAMILY EASTER CELEBRATION & EGG HUNT

Saturday, March 26th

10-11:45am

**RESURRECTION
CLUE HUNT**



Hand-in-hand, families will experience the Easter story anew as they work together to find clues that lead them to discover that *Jesus is alive today!* We will conclude the celebration with an Easter Egg Hunt!

All are welcome!



Adjustments to the 2015-2016 Calendar

This year's inclement weather has caused us to miss some school days; therefore, we will be utilizing some of the snow make up days we have built into our calendar. Currently, the last day of school will be May 27th rather than the originally scheduled last day of May 18th. The Celebration of 4/5's will still take place on May 18th. Spring Break will remain the same at this time.



Show Your School Spirit!



You may have noticed order forms for school spirit wear near sign in/out sheets in the school. Attached you will also find an order form for your convenience. If you are interested in ordering school spirit merchandise, please complete the form and return it to your child's teacher no later than March 11th. If you have any questions, please let us know!

What's Happening in the Community?

- Handley Library is offering Baby Time on Tuesdays from 10:30 - 11:00 am, Toddler Time on Thursdays from 10:30 - 11:00 am, and Preschool Story Time on Mondays from 10:30- 11:00. Dance parties for all ages will be held each Friday from 10:30 - 11:00! For more information, please click on the following link:
<http://www2.youseemore.com/handley/calendar.asp?cal=35>
- The Museum of the Shenandoah Valley will be hosting a Winter Garden Walkabout on Wednesday, March 2nd, from 10:00 - 11:00 am. For More information, please click on the following link: <http://www.themsv.org/events>



Order Form
Please Return by March 11th

Childs Name _____

Teacher/Class _____

Childs Short Sleeve T Shirt: \$10.00

Childs Hooded Sweatshirt \$26.00

XS(2-4) _____

2T _____

S (6-8) _____

4T _____

5/6 _____

Child's Hooded Full Zip Sweatshirt: \$35.00

XS (2-4) _____

S (6-8) _____

Adult Short Sleeve T Shirt \$10

Size _____

Adult Hooded Sweatshirt \$26.00

Size _____

Adult Long Sleeve T Shirt \$16.00

Size _____

Adult Full Zip Sweatshirt \$35.00

Car Magnets \$5 each - Quantity: _____

Total Due:\$ _____ (please make checks payable to FPWDS)