



First School

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MAY 2017
Newsletter

MAY—A Busy Month!

It is hard to believe that an entire year has gone by. We have had a great year with the children and look forward to our Mother's Day program and Fun Days to end out the year. Please read the newsletter to get specific information and thanks again for allowing us to spend this special year with your children. Best of luck to those

Announcing our 1st First School Yard Sale!



We're looking for donations for our sale which is taking place on **Thursday July 13**. Please keep us in mind as you do Spring Cleaning around your houses. More info to come soon!

Dates to Remember:

- May 1: Librarian Visit
- May 5: First School Mother's Day Celebration for Mrs. Richardson's class
- May 8 and 9 Color of the mother RAINBOW DAY
- May 10 Mother's Day for Mrs. Shaw Class
- May 11 and 12 Mother's Day Celebrations for everyone else
- May 17: Bike Day for all 4 year old classes
- May 18: Dance Recital for Mrs. Merrill's Dance class. Parents Arrive at 12:20.
- May 18 & 19 Spirit Days: wear logo wear or Green
- May 19: Last days of Lunch Bunch and Enrichment
- May 22 and 23 Touch a Truck FUN DAYS
- May 24 & 25 Last days of school. Clap Out at 10:30 and 1:45 for T/TH PM classes on the 25th

YOU ARE INVITED To Attend KID WHISPERER UNIVERSITY on August 2–4 at COX ARBORETUM

As you know, we have a famous alumni, Scott Ervin. He'll be teaching a 3 day course on

The Nine Essential Skills for the Love and Logic Classroom....which are also essential skills for parents and grandparents to know. These skills will include learning how to neutralize arguments, delay consequences, utilize empathy, utilize the recovery process, build positive relationships, utilize choices to prevent power struggles...and so much more. These strategies are simple and get results. Special pricing until May 25th. For more information: click here: <http://www.ervineducationalconsulting.com/shop/3-day-live-workshop-dayton-ohio/>

Psst: We are in the process of making a really fun "afternoon school" schedule for the 2017-18 school year with lots of learning opportunities like Yoga, Coding, International Art, and cooking. Watch for a flyer in your July mailing.



Touch a Truck Days are Coming!

This is going to be an exciting event!

so the children can get up close and personal. We are scheduled to have: a fire truck, a medic truck, a tricked out Jeep, and maybe a few surprises. The vehicles will take their places at 8:50 in the morning to start setting up. The doors will open at 8:35 for drop off. Pick up will be the same time as usual.

2017-18 ENROLLMENT

IMPORTANT: If you have not signed up, please do so soon. We are filling up. **EARLY 5's** only has a few spaces left. **LUNCH BUNCH** is filling up fast, too.

We are still holding our referral program. Please let your friends know about our wonderful school!

MOTHER'S DAY PRO-GRAMS

Thursday, May 11th and
Friday, May 12th

(Mrs. Shaw's class will be Wednesday May 10, and Mrs. Richardson will be Friday May 5.)

The annual Mother's Day program is a special part of our year. Children have been preparing a special program in Mom's honor as well as special art projects. Because of the uniqueness of this program we ask that you find other arrangements for younger siblings. If you are unable to attend, please send an aunt, grandmother, or other special friend to share this day. Please look for information from your teacher for the correct time.

Did You Know? All of our teachers live rich and varied lives and so many of them are involved in volunteer activities with their communities. To highlight : **Mrs. Amy James** is very involved in her church's mission outreach work with orphanages in Uganda and Kenya in Africa. Her family personally is sponsoring 3 children: Evelyn who is 8; Rita, age 10; and Michael, age 13. She and her husband and two children have traveled to visit them 3 times in the past 5 years – an incredible learning opportunity for them and especially their children. Ask Mrs. James about this sometime. She loves to talk about her "family" in Africa! Thank you Mrs. James for sharing your time, talent and treasures with these dear children in Africa!

IMPORTANT Lunch Bunch, Mrs. Merrill's Dance and PM Enrichment Notice:

The **DANCE RECITAL** for parents will be **MAY 18 at 12:20**. The **LAST** day of **Lunch Bunch** will be **May 19th**.

*The Last Day of PM Enrichment is
FRIDAY MAY 19.*

*A HUGE thank you to Mrs. KATE POEPELMAN for organizing this year's Teacher Appreciation Week. And thank you so much to all of the room parents who assisted in making this the **BEST WEEK EVER** for all of us at **First School**. Thank you to all of our wonderful **PARENTS**, too! You **ALL** warm our hearts and make working here with your children truly a joy.*

WHAT IS THE CLAP OUT?

On the last days of school, Wednesday May 24 and Thursday May 25, **PARENTS** will join us for this end of school tradition. Please line up at 10:30 on our playground and backyard in two lines facing one another. All classes will parade through the families with their class and teacher while the parents applaud! Students will return to their classrooms and parents will pick them up and say goodbye for the year.



Sign up for Summer Camp!
These are wonderful programs right during the middle of summer when you might be looking for something else to do!

