



ST. TIMOTHY'S EPISCOPAL PRESCHOOL SEPTEMBER 2017

Welcome

We are so glad that you are all a part of STEPS. We've made it through the first week of school with very few tears! Hopefully, everyone is becoming adjusted to all of the changes. We are blessed with a wonderful group of parents, a great staff, and the best and sweetest children! We look forward to a year filled with fun and learning.

Music

We had our first music day on Thursday, August 31st. It is a joy to sing with your little ones. Let us know if you play an instrument or sing and would ever like to share with us. We welcome new voices!

School Pictures

Individual school pictures will be made Wednesday, September 6th, beginning at 9:15 a.m. These will be black and white candid shots. Please let us know if you are interested in having pictures made of siblings together. You may also bring in a younger child to include with a STEPS big brother or sister.

ChessNinja

The first ChessNinja class will meet Thursday, September 7th, at 2:15 in the Parish Hall. It is a free lesson open to the first 6 children (aged 3-5) whose parents come to the office to reserve a spot. This will be a 5 week session and only this first class is at no cost. Approximate cost will be \$12 per class (Thomas Lane will give you more information). Parents are welcome to observe class each week.

Patriotic Day

Tuesday, September 12th, we would like for the children to dress in red, white, and blue. We will do this in honor of our country and in remembrance of 9-11-2001.

Lions Club Eye Screening

On Tuesday, September 12th, our local Lions Club – in conjunction with Vanderbilt Eye Institute – will offer free vision screening to your child. The screening will provide a digital reading of your child's eyes. No physical contact is made with your child and eye drops are not used. There is no charge for this service; however, you will need to return the consent form by the date of the testing. Results will be available within a few weeks.

Chapel

We will have our first chapel time together on Wednesday, September 13th, at 9:20.

Water Day

On Thursday, September 14th, we will have a fun day filled with activities involving water! Details will follow later.

Kids On The Block As part of our Safety instruction, Chattanooga's Kids on the Block will present a puppet show program entitled "Three Ways to be Hurt Free" on Wednesday, September 13th. This will be for 3s, 4s, and Pre-K classes.

Board Meeting

Our first STEPS board meeting of this school year will be Monday, September 18th, at 7:00 p.m. in Ms. Joanne's classroom beside the preschool office. A nursery will be provided. We would love for you to join us.

Get Acquainted Coffee

After you drop off your child on Thursday, September 21st, we hope you will join us in the Parish Hall for breakfast goodies and a time to visit with old friends and make new friends. All parents, grandparents, caregivers, etc. are welcome!

Johnny Appleseed's Birthday

On Tuesday, September 26th, we will celebrate the anniversary of the birthday of Johnny Appleseed. You can be sure there will be apples involved. Your child may come home wearing a cooking pot as a hat!

Needs

*We need **large** cardboard packing boxes for our Halloween Hoot. Let us know if you have any that you could donate.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Eric and Erin Hungenberg on the birth of their daughter, Rowan Joy, on August 28th. Big sister, Tate, is in Ms. Joanne's Fours class.

Sympathy

We express our deepest sympathy and our love to Ms. Hannah Elsea on the August 14th death of her brother-in-law. Please keep Ms. Hannah and her family in your prayers during this difficult time.

The Giving Tree

In the main hallway of our preschool (across from the Parent Information board) you will find a tree! From time to time you will find on the tree items we need for classroom use. If you are willing to donate an indicated item, take the corresponding cutout and send the item to school. We greatly appreciate any and all donations. We are overwhelmed with your generosity!

Reminder

School begins at 9. Please don't arrive **before** that time. We have to prepare for our little ones!

Creative Discovery Museum

For your information – The second Thursday of each month is Free Family Night at the Creative Discovery Museum from 5:30-8:00 p.m.

September Birthdays

Eloise Sweeney	4 th	Joy Kile	24 th
Mia Garcia-Rosell	7 th	Adalyn Fowler	28 th
Autumn Graves	18 th	Ms. Peggy Huffine (Pre-K)	28 th

In honor of each child's birthday, he/she will receive a book from STEPS. We hope you and your child will enjoy reading together. By sharing a book, says Eric Carle, an adult shows a child, "I have time for you, I care for you – therefore I read to you." (Eric Carle – author of Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See? and The Hungry Caterpillar and many more wonderful books.)

"This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice in it and be glad." Psalm 118:24



