THE PLAYSCHOOL PRESS



March 5th, 2014

Dear Playschool Parents,

Thank you for your patience with the recent disruptions because of inclement weather. Many of you have kindly paid the tuition for March before I had an opportunity to send out and addendum to the cost. For April tuition will be \$30 instead of \$45 since we missed a few days in February. We have been doing many fun activities the past few weeks, with many more to planned come. The high school student teachers and I have decided to reschedule the Parent's Night out for Saturday March 15th from 5-8pm. Care will be provided for Playschool children and siblings (must be potty trained). If you would like your child(ren) to participate please either e-mail me the names and ages of who will attend or sign-up on the clip board during drop-off or pick-up. The student teachers are planning many fun activities like making pizza and popcorn and watching a fun movie. Children are encouraged to wear their favorite Pajamas too!

Our High School Teachers are focusing on doing a unit of careers and community helpers as a part of incorporating social studies into our curriculum. Thus far we have covered Cosmetology, Police Officers, and are currently learning about Doctors and Nurses. The students had a blast visiting the Cosmetology Salon to get

pampered. Unfortunately, our student resource officer fell sick last week and was unable to visit us as we had planned last week. We hope we will be able to invite him to come again soon. Next Thursday, the Blacksburg Fire Department will visit us and the students can check out their truck and learn more about fire safety.

My Dual Enrollment class of High School Student Teachers has been focusing on language and literacy. They have been doing some author studies with the children. Each week choosing a different author to explore: Norman Bridwell, Stan Berenstain, and Laura Numeroff. Today we read If you give a pig a pancake by Laura Numeroff and the children worked together to make some delicious pancakes. Next week we will move on to discuss the alphabet and cover a letter each day with the children.

Lastly, thank you all for spreading the word about Playschool. I have received many inquiries about the program and am proud to see it grow in our community. Right now I am full for next year but do have an ongoing waiting list that is kept in the event of a cancelation. If you could kindly fill out the form that will go home and inform me if your child plans to return in the fall I would greatly appreciate it. Schedule changes are in the works for next year from the school board. I hope this will benefit our program and possibly lengthen the duration of the playschool day depending on student interest.

I have updated the website with pictures from playschool. Enjoy!

Important Reminders:

- Every Friday Send your child to Playschool with their Library Book to return
- On Wednesday March 19th Playschool Drop-Off will be at 9:20 and Pick-Up will be at 11:35
- Please keep me informed if your child gets sick with any communicable illnesses, I would like to send home anonymous notes to all so other parents know to be aware of the symptoms.
- Please call or e-mail me if you child will not be in playschool

Thank you again for sharing your children with us!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Radzai & The BHS Student Teachers