

## **BENEFIT EVENING - PROCUREMENT GUIDELINES**

As a supporter, you may be surprised to learn which items draw the highest bids in the silent auction section of our Benefit Evening. We appreciate all donations and hope to have wide array of items and bidding prices. The guidelines below are intended to support you in selecting items.

## These items sell very well...

- Items that make great gifts
- Items handcrafted by school community members
- · Children's dress-up and play clothing
- Waldorf toys and paintings
- Local experiences provided by school community members catered dinners, week-end getaways, lake and sound cruises, unusual and unique events
- Certificates to local restaurants and hotels
- Theme parties for adults or children
- Scrumptious desserts
- Affordable treasures not all items need to have a high retail value

## These items tend to receive more limited bidding...yet are highly appreciated for providing accessible final bid levels

- Gift certificates for services, unless provided by a parent or vendor popular to many school parents
- Plastic items and toys (with the exception of legos!)
- Scrap booking supplies
- Large artwork
- Exact repeats from last year's event
- Mass produced home décor items
- Getaways that involve significant travel expenses not included in the auctioned package
- Variations for multiple of items are preferred over exact duplicates of any item