McKenzie Monitor

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From the Principal

Dear McKenzie Families,

Like all of you, we are thrilled to have "September weather" at last! We hope that it continues to send us its cool breezes and sunny skies. I hope you and your family get to take advantage of all the long holiday weekend has to offer. Thank you for the spectacular attendance at last night's K/1 Curriculum Night. We hope you found the evening to be both enjoyable and informational. We look forward to welcoming parents of Gr. 2-4 later this month.

On Tuesday morning our PTA will be holding this year's first board meeting, starting at 9:15 in the cafeteria. Mrs. Flondro will be our teacher representative. All parents are invited (young children welcome). Please note that there is no school on Thursday, Sept. 9th.

Upcoming dates of importance:

Sept. 12: Ice Cream Social, 1-3 pm

Sept. 14: School Pictures

Sept. 16: Curriculum Night for Gr. 3 & 4 @6:30-7:15; Gr. 2 @7:30-8:15

There are so many people who have worked on the front lines and behind the scenes to help get this year off to such a wonderful start. From the way the building and grounds appear, to the events that have taken place, it has been a team effort. In addition to our incredible staff, I want to thank the following committees for ALL their hard work: Welcoming, School Supplies, First Day Coffee, McKenzie School Guide, Fall Luncheon, Bulletin Boards, Directory, McKenzie Monitor, Sharing, Chess Club, Gardens and SO many more! You remind us that it does take a village (and 70+ PTA Committees!).

May you enjoy a well-deserved rest from your "labors" this weekend!

Dr. Welter

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THIS WEEK...

Monday 9/6

LABOR DAY: No School

Tuesday 9/7

• LUNCH: Citrus French Toast, Turkey Sausage, Carrots, Fresh Fruit, Milk

• REMINDER: PTA Meeting at 9:15 a.m.

Wednesday 9/8

• LUNCH: Chicken Breast on WW, Baked Chips, Green Beans, Fresh Fruit, Milk

Thursday 9/9

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Friday 9/10

• LUNCH: Baked Tilapia, Mashed Potato Smiles, Broccoli, Fresh Fruit, Milk

From the P.T.A.

Ice Cream Social Committee 2010: Delicious ice cream and, family, friends, crafts, and an afternoon of all sorts of entertaining fun. Does that sound like a great time to you? This annual event will be held on Sunday, September 12th from 1-3 p.m. at McKenzie. If you are interested in volunteering the day of the event, please contact Rachel Arend at rachel.arend@gmail.com.

Calling All McKenzie Vendors for McKenzie Mingle! This year's shopping extravaganza will be held at the Winnetka Women's Club on Friday, November 5th. If you have a business and would like to participate as a vendor, please return your completed application and payment prior to September 15. After the 15th, we will accept applications from vendors outside of the McKenzie community. Please use the vendor application on http://mckenziepta.com/mckenzie_mingle.html or contact Molly Regan at mollyregan5@yahoo.com.

The Sharing Committee is collecting new or gently used school supplies for Carman-Buckner Elementary, our sister school, located in Waukegan. Please consider donating crayons, markers, glue sticks, pencils, scissors and any other useful supplies to the donation boxes in the school lobby. Carman-Buckner's students greatly appreciate your help!

Chess Club Registration: It is already that time! Please register online for Session 1 of kindergarten chess club and chess club grades 1-4 now! Space is limited and it is on a first come first served basis. If you have any questions please contact Yijia Geohas at vijiaxu@hotmail.com for chess club grades 1-4 and Amy Fox at amybfox@me.com for kindergarten chess club.

Come to the Kelly Miller Circus! The circus will take place on the field behind the Mikaelian Education Center (615 Locust Road) on Saturday, September 25 at 2 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Tickets are \$25 general admission or \$35 for reserved ringside seats. Proceeds benefit the Educational Foundation's Gripp Grants and other initiatives in all six D39 schools, and the wider Wilmette community. Questions? For more information, please visit www.d39foundation.org or call 847-853-3939. Stop by at 9 a.m. on circus morning and see the Big Top go up!

Save the Date for "Reading Saves the Day!" The Scholastic Book Fair will be held Tuesday, September 28 through Thursday, September 30 in the Small Gym. Books will be sold each morning from 8:30 to10:00 a.m. and each afternoon from 3:00 to 5:30 pm. Extended hours offered Wednesday evening from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Proceeds from this event support new books for the McKenzie library and each classroom.

Book Fair Volunteers Needed! Please consider working a shift to help with this year's Scholastic Book Fair, September 28-30. Late afternoon shifts are available. Volunteers are also needed for set-up on Monday, September 27th and take-down on Friday, October 1st during school hours. Please contact volunteer coordinator Kirsten Stadheim at stadheimwefing@sbcglobal.net.

Want More Information? The McKenzie PTA Website, www.mckenziepta.com, has lots information on all the upcoming events mentioned in the McKenzie Monitor, other events, clubs, calendars and much, much more! Be sure to check it out.

School Pictures are scheduled for September 14.

Save the Date for PLN Lecture: The McKenzie Parent Learning Network (PLN) will be hosting a lecture on the topic of 21st Century Learning, Thursday, October 7, 2010 at 7:00 pm in the McKenzie auditorium. More information to follow. Questions? Contact Julie Johnson at jujohnson007@sbcglobal.net or (847) 251-4828.

Reminder: Submissions for the **Monitor** are due by **Thursday at 12:00 pm.** Go to http://mckenziepta.com/communication.html for the submission form. Thanks!

On the Web...

McKenzie P.T.A. Website

McKenzie Elementary School Website

(See www.wilmette39.org/backpack39/mckbackpack39.htm for information on the Wilmette Village Center Master Plan)

District 39 Website