

PARENT BULLETIN

2018-19 School Year | January 2019 Issue

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

1/21, Monday - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, **NO SCHOOL**

1/28, Monday - Preschool and Kindergarten Conference Sign-Ups Open Online

2/1, Friday - **2019-20 Registration Form DUE**

2/8, Friday - Staff Inservice, **NO SCHOOL**

2/8, Friday - Preschool and Kindergarten Conference Sign-Ups Close

2/14 & 2/15, Thursday and Friday - Preschool and Kindergarten Conferences, **NO SCHOOL for preschool and kindergarten students. School in session for elementary students in grades 1-6.**

2/18, Monday - President's Day, **NO SCHOOL**

2/22, Friday - Pod 3 Field Trip to Waimea Valley

2/22, Friday - K3 Field Trip to Kahuku Farms


 A graphic featuring the year '2019' in large, colorful, multi-faceted numerals. Below the numerals, the text 'Happy New Year!' is written in a simple, grey, sans-serif font.

Happy New Year!

Dear Parents and Grandparents,

Welcome back to school, and Happy 2019! Amidst all the business of the holidays, we hope you and your family had a joyful and special Christmas Season. At The Children's House, we begin Christmas preparations in October, practicing songs for the Christmas program and teaching about Advent. For many of you, your Christmas season began with your child's Christmas program. There are many memorable lines from the program, one being from the comforting angel assuring Mary,

"Don't be afraid! God is pleased with you," Luke 1:30

The script and scriptures in the Advent program help us remember the gifts God sent us through the birth of Jesus - Hope, Peace, Joy, Faith, and Love. We need to remember though, that these gifts are not just for Christmas, but are gifts we can access every day!

Many of us begin our year with "resolutions," or goals for accomplishments or behaviors we hope to change. We may be trying to lead healthier lifestyles, exercising more, and eating differently, or we may be working on strengthening certain traits such as patience or self-control. Similarly, we may be working with our children on reaching new goals. Perhaps we want to help them manage their after school time better, or improve their physical or academic skills. As we start, we probably experience some success, bringing us joy and excitement. Inevitably, however, we will begin to struggle, and could easily feel discouraged. As parents, this can be especially difficult, and we may want to allow our children to lower their expectations, adjust their goals. These are the times we especially need to remember God's gifts. The angel's message is not just for Mary, but for us!



We would like to extend a huge "THANK YOU" for all the cards, goodies, and Christmas greetings. We are truly blessed to have such caring and thoughtful students and families. All of God's blessings to you for a happy and healthy new year!

Also, thank you for your generous white gift donations. The students presented their white gifts at our White Gift Assembly on December 18, 2018. The items were donated to Our Lady of Good Counsel's outreach program and they were overwhelmed by your generosity. They send their deepest appreciation to us for sharing love with those in need.



As a reminder, due to the progress of Leeward Community Church's building project, **Spring Break will be from March 18th - 29th**. All students will return to school on Monday, April 1st. A letter and email were sent home on November 13, 2018 notifying our families of this change.

For us to make up those days, the school year will be lengthened by three days. The last day for 6th grade and the 6th grade graduation will be on Friday, May 24th. The last day of school for all other students will be Thursday, May 30th. Summer school will begin on Thursday, June 6th.

Thank you for your patience and support as we extend our help as neighbors to Leeward Community Church. A revised school calendar has been sent home and is available online.

We do not need to be afraid, God is with us and loves us.

"I will give thanks to You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Wonderful are Your works, and my soul knows it very well." Psalm 139:14

Calling out to God demonstrated hope; releasing our frustrations gives us peace; persevering toward our goals is an act of faith. As we begin a new calendar year, we want to encourage you as parents, and as TCH family, to remember the gifts of the season everyday, and to let God bless you with hope, peace, joy, faith, and love throughout the year!

Conference Sign-Ups for Preschool & Kindergarten Parents

On Thursday, February 14th and Friday, February 15th, our preschool and kindergarten parents will be having their second conference with their child's teachers. Sign-ups for conferences will be online beginning Monday, January 28th at 7:00pm and will continue through Friday, February 8th. You will be receiving an email with instructions. Sign-ups will be on a first come, first served basis. This will be an excellent opportunity for you to ask questions and learn how your child is progressing. **There will be no classes in session on conference days for our preschool and kindergarten students. School will be in session for all elementary students in grades 1-6.**

Classroom Observations

All parents are welcome to visit their child's classroom as well as visit the classroom of the grade level they will be going into for the next school year. For example, parents of preschoolers moving up to pre-kindergarten or kindergarten next year may visit the pre-kindergarten/kindergarten classroom. This is an excellent opportunity for you to view the various work and activities your child will be doing during the next school year. Please call the office to schedule an appointment if you are interested. Classroom observations are usually from 9:00 to 10:00am.

Tax Identification Numbers

As that time of year approaches, we'd like to provide you with the following Tax I.D. numbers for The Children's House to assist you with any tax preparations. Our State Tax ID is #012-745-7280-01 and our Federal Tax ID is #99-0340922.

Please feel free to contact Ms. Malia or Ms. Cassie at the office if you have any questions regarding payments and/or receipts.

RE-REGISTRATION FOR 2019-20

Re-registration forms were emailed to you in December. **The deadline to re-register your child is Friday, February 1, 2019.** If you need a printed copy of the re-registration form or have any questions, please contact the office. The registration fee is refundable through May 10, 2019.