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TFS BULLETIN

Dear Parents,

September 12, 2008

Your children are doing very well with all their new routines associated with The Friendship School. They arrive and join their teachers and classmates in the foyer or in their classrooms, they place all their belongings in their cubbies, they greet their classmates in a morning meeting/circle time, they have their morning snack or breakfast and then continue with learning and play, the main events of every day. You are always welcome to visit or volunteer in their classrooms if you want to see for yourself how they are doing. It is a great sight to see.

I'd like to officially introduce you to our new Literacy Specialist, Mrs. Carolyn Potoff. Carolyn comes to us with over half of her 20 years of public school teaching experience at the early childhood level. Most recently she worked as a 3-6 year old classroom teacher and as the literacy specialist for CREC Public Montessori Magnet School in Hartford. She shares with us, that she *likes to* cook, travel and learn new things but most of all *loves to* help young children as they learn to read and write! Please stop in to meet Mrs. Potoff when you have a chance to visit the school. I will introduce her to you in person during our Open House in October.

I hope you are enjoying the news in your child's communication folder each week. Classrooms or pods are setting up parent bulletin boards where they also post news for you. Another good way to learn about the school is through participation in the Friendship Family Organization. I hope to see you at the meeting next week.

Enjoy the weekend with your children.

Sincerely,

Kathy

Dates to Remember

September 14th - Youth Service Bureau Family Harkness Day 11am-4pm
September 18th - FFO Parent Meeting- 6:30p.m.- 7:30 p.m.
October 1st - Open House- 6:00 p.m.
October 9th - Yom Kippur- **No School**
October 10th - Professional Development- **No School**
October 13th - Columbus Day- **No School**
October 16th - Student's Picture Day

Headstart's School Based Program has openings for pre-K students!

Program offers family support services through our family liaisons for home and school. Call 447-4049 ext. 1327

The Friendship School Based Health Center has openings for mental health counseling services. Please contact Jaime Miller at 447-4049 ext. 1408- or talk to your child's teacher.

Please remember we are a **NUT FREE SCHOOL**. Do not send any nut products in with your child.

Come and Join!
FFO Parent's Meeting time has changed on September 18th. The new time is 6:30-7:30 p.m. Childcare provided and membership is always free.

Dear Parents,

Just a reminder that health information needs to be kept up-to-date for your child's school health record.

If your child has an appointment for a physical coming up throughout the school year, please have your doctor complete the school health assessment form and give it to you to turn into school. Forms are available here at the nurse's office, and at your doctor's office. If you replace your child's physical as it becomes over 1 year old in our record, there is no need to scramble to get your forms in by the first need day of school, unless you have a summer physical. Thank you.