



# Run of the Mill

## Director's Report

It seems as if spring has finally sprung! Everyone, teachers and children alike, have been so excited to be able to get back outside! I think some of the children forgot what the playground even looked like.

Thanks to everyone for all of the wonderful Valentine's day treats that you brought in last month. The parties turned out great, even with all of the snow delays. Thanks to all of you for being so flexible!

I hope that you are all able to join us on Monday evening, March 15th, for a family reading night.

This is always a fun event and a great opportunity to hang out with other MCPP families. The event runs from 6:30-8:00.

I wanted to let everyone know that I will be out of the office from March 16th-18th. I will be attending a Creative Curriculum conference in Bethesda. I am excited to hear all about this wonderful curriculum and look forward to learning ways that we can make the program here even better!

Spring break is from March 29th-April 6th. I hope everyone has a wonderful break and we'll see

you all on April 7th!

Cyndi

March 2010

### Dates to Remember:

- 3/12- Enrollment contracts due
- 3/15- Family Reading Night
- 3/29- Spring Break begins
- 4/7- Classes resume
- 4/10- Spring fling



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## Virtues Readings

I would like to thank the following parents for doing virtues readings in February: Dawn Little, Julieta Martinez and Kelly Metz. The children and teachers really appreciate you taking the time out of

your day to support this important program!

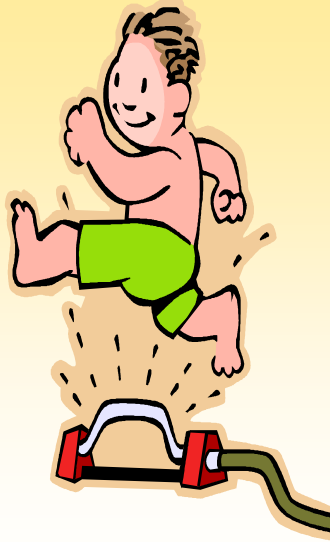
During the month of March, the 2's and 3's will be talking about helpfulness and the 4's will be talking about patience. Please consider signing up

to read about these virtues to your child's class. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board across from Room 2. If you need additional information please call the preschool office.

## Restaurant Night

Thanks to all of you who supported our restaurant night fundraiser at Outta the Way Café on March 1st. The place was packed and a great time was had by all! We were able to raise \$375, which is helping to off-set the cost of sending the MCPP teachers to the NAEYC conference last November.

Nights such as this remind me what a wonderful group of families we have here at Mill Creek. I am convinced that this is the best school around! I would like to give a special thank-you to Caitlyn Whirley's grandpa for his generous donation to MCPP. You have always been so supportive of our program and we are all so appreciative of your generosity!



## Summer Camp News

Information about our summer camp program will be sent home later this month. Camp runs this year from June 1st- June 18th. For the first time, we will be offering "2's camp" for children currently enrolled in our 2's program. Stay tuned for details!

## Enrollment Update

Enrollment is looking very promising for next year. All of our pre-k classes and all of the morning 3's classes are already full! We still have openings for afternoon 2's and 3's and a couple of openings for morning 2's. Please let any neighbors or friends with preschool aged children know about our program. We would love to have them!

Some parents have expressed concern that they were not able to get the 1st choice class. As much as we would like everyone to end up in their 1st choice, it is just not possible. Classes have limited availability and we have to close the class once we reach the maximum number of children. A lot of care went into as-

sureing that each child is placed in a class that we feel they will be successful in. Some children really need a smaller class size, some may have a hard time with a longer day, and some may do better with a certain teacher. If you have any questions or concerns at all about your child's placement for next year, don't hesitate to call.

I am currently in the process of looking into different enrichment offerings for next year. If there is something you would like us to offer, I would love your input! Lunch bunch will still be offered every day from 11:30-12:30. Information about lunch bunch and enrichment will come home in your summer packet.

Thanks to all of you for mak-

ing the enrollment process a smooth one. Who would have thought that we would be hit with two blizzards right before registration? Even with all the weather issues, things went well thanks to everyone's flexibility and patience.

Parent surveys have gone out and I would really appreciate getting your feedback. This will help with planning for next year and I would love to have as many of you participate as possible. This is the way to have your voice heard!