

Little Flower Preparatory School

Little Flower Prep Newsletter

From the Desk of the Principal, P. Wilson-Chhattani (Ed.D)

As we embark upon a new school year 2015 - 2016, this month's theme is "*Educating Our Children With Authenticity And Beyond*"!

We remain committed to the school's philosophy, ***It is easier to build a child than to repair and adult,*** and while doing so, it is our goal to sharpen scholar's skills, habits of mind, and disposition that will allow them to thrive successfully in and out of the school's environment with those learned life skills.

We are mindful of the academia expectations of the 21st Century Learning curves, and are driven by scholar's successes, as I personally believe in engaging them to become enthused learners with a clear focus on college in the future. Its purpose is to challenge the mind to become logical thinkers rather than accepting other's opinions at face value, (learn to agree and disagree). I still believe that private school provides the highest quality education because its focus includes the development of the whole child. With smaller class sizes, the educators have a better opportunity to teach content and context rather than just test preparation.



Here are a few questions you may have to pose to the principal as we start off the new school year;

- How does the teacher help a struggling learner to excel?
- How is critical thinking used in the classroom?
- How can parents support their children with literacy in the home?
- What kinds of tools are used to measure student's academic success?
- How are teaching styles changing?
- What is the role of the teacher in the learning process?
- What is the role of the parent in the learning process?

Parents should never feel they are exempt from the model of partnership between the home and the school. Parents are considered the "first parents," and must be actively involved, resourceful, an advocate, and of course, a strong support system for their children.

'FUN'D RAISING is designed to HELP THE SCHOOL –



Just a few reasons why parents should help us raise money for the school:

- Parents saved on purchasing books, and there were no Text Book Fees
- Parents saved on paying Registration and Re-Registration Fees
- Parents saved money on Before School Fee –Early Drop Off (Grade students arriving before 9:00 am)
- Parents have saved on Late Payments of their Fees and Tuition
- Parents have saved on Late Pick Up Fees of Grade School students (After 4:00 pm)
- Parents saved on tuition and school fees increase this school year

- Adding FREE breakfast served before 8:30 am, and FREE lunch for daycare

Recently a **Brochure Package** went home to each parent with a wide variety of useful household items, besides the delicious choices of candies. Don't be afraid to ask your neighbors, friends, family, co-workers, hairstylist, manicurist, and everyone you come in contact with to help your child's school. If you don't ask, no one will buy!!

Your child will earn valuable gifts in return. Please pay attention to the due date of **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2nd**, but if extra time is needed, it can be honored.

Let us think of education as the means of developing our greatest abilities, because in each of us there is a private hope and dream which when fulfilled, can be translated into a benefit for every one, and greater strength for our nation.

John F. Kennedy – 35th President of the United States (1917 – 1963)



BOX TOP for EDUCATION is another fund raising method that we use. When you go shopping, look for the products that supports Box Top for education, cut it out from the box/package, bring it in to the class teacher.

LITTLE SHOPPERS will be on display for the holidays with many lovely inexpensive but thoughtful gift items for mommy, daddy, grandparents, and others. Students will have the opportunity to select item/s of their choice, and pay for their goods – a lesson in math about budget, and the value of money in our economy!

DRESS DOWN

DRESS DOWN on Fridays is \$2! Dressing in casual clothing is an optional choice.

\$2 must be given to the teacher or Ms. Heron in the morning. Too often,

my observation is that student's are out of uniform on Fridays without bringing in their donation. It is unprincipled!

Please be mindful that after 2 occurrences, students

will NOT be able to participate in dressing down for one month...

PICTURES * IMAGES – VERY IMPORTANT!!

We may use photos or images of both past and present students on our website or on Facebook.com/littleflowerprepschool from time to time. If pictures are chosen, they will only be used for that purpose and that purpose only. If parents have any objections to the use of their child's photo, please notify the school in writing.

ASSESSMENTS

There will be 1 official assessment utilized this year besides weekly class quizzes and tests – the New York State Standardized ELA and Mathematics Exams. The scanning, and scoring of the exams by Nassau

Boces are quite expensive, and in light of that parents are required to pay for the exams. Please note that entry to most Specialized High Schools require successful passing of these tests.

The cost to parents (Grades 3 – 7) is \$400 (\$200 for each exam).



SCHOOL CLOSURE or DELAYED OPENING

SCHOOL CLOSURE or DELAYED OPENING may be due to unforeseen or inclement weather such as snowstorms, blizzards, hurricanes, floods or any other weather related events, parents must call the school's telephone # at 718-342-0908 or News12 Brooklyn TV or website for school closure or delayed opening information. We **do not** necessarily follow the openings or closings of NYC public school since they have more closures than we do.

Lunch is **optional** for Grade students – if elected, the charge is now \$100 monthly, \$25 weekly whether 4 or 5 weeks, Breakfast FREE until 8:30 am.



*Our **WEBSITE** littleflowerdaycare.com has been recently revised, updated, and optimized. It appears that most visitors or prospective parents who Google "childcare" or schools in Brooklyn, our proud school pops up creating an interest in visiting and learning more about us. Feel free to view the new site and give us your opinion.*



School Closures

SCHOOL CALENDAR of CLOSURES for the remainder of 2015

Monday, October 12, 2015	Columbus Day	Closed
Friday, November 11, 2015	Veteran's Day	Closed
Thursday, November 24, 2015	Thanksgiving Day	Closed
Friday, November 25, 2015	Thanksgiving Recess	Closed
Friday, December 23, 2015	Christmas Eve	Closed
Monday, December 26, 2015	Christmas Recess	Closed
Friday, December 30, 2015	New Year's Eve	Closed



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**At Little Flower we believe it is
easier to build a child today
than repair an adult tomorrow**

**Look for us!
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