# **EPISCOPAL DAY SCHOOL**

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## <u>Newsletter</u>

# <u>March 2018</u>

Dear Day School Families,

It was nice to see many of you at the Spaghetti Dinner last month. Thank you to the Holy Trinity Vestry members and EDS Board members for the delicious meal. I truly appreciate everyone who participated in the Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Silent Auction & Raffle Fundraiser. Thank you to PAC for planning and organizing, to local businesses for their donations, to the many families who contributed, and to everyone who bid during the auction. The fundraiser was a huge success raising over \$1500 for our school!

March 4-10 is Severe Weather Awareness Week in South Carolina. Weather alarms will go off at 9:00a.m. on Wednesday, March 7<sup>th</sup> to prompt many schools to practice their tornado emergency plans. Since that is drop-off time for us at the Day School, we are planning our drill at a different time on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. During the drill, we will practice going downstairs to the basement to take shelter. I encourage you to practice tornado drills and fire drills at home, too; so that you and your children are prepared to react quickly, if ever needed.

I have recently been speaking with many prospective parents who are considering joining us at the Day School for the 2018-2019 School Year. Please know how important your comments and recommendations of our school are for future enrollment. The staff and I work hard to provide an enriched educational program within a loving environment, which our Day School families can speak fondly of and take pride in. We are grateful to those who have shared their positive feelings about our school with the community. Please consider doing so yourself on the Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/pg/EDSClemson/reviews/?re *f*=*page internal*. Informational flyers are available in the office, so please let me know if you would like to take a few to your friends or place some on a table at your work.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Watkins, swatkins@holytrinityclemson.org



### **SPECIAL DATES**

Donation Drive of non-perishable food
& household goods for CCC
Severe Weather Drill
PAC Meeting 11:30a.m.
Jacob Dean Photography *see details below
Tri-ART Field Trip 9:30a.m. departure
<ul> <li>5-Day 3K Yellow Birds</li> </ul>
School Day (Inclement weather make-up day)
) International Week – Volunteer Speakers
eded - please contact Suzanne Watkins to sign-up
Tri-ART Field Trip 9:00a.m. departure
<ul> <li>4K Red Birds</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>3-Day 3K Yellow Birds</li> </ul>
Easter Egg Hunts:
<ul> <li>5-Day 3K Yellow Birds</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>2-Day 2K Blue Birds</li> </ul>
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<ul> <li>3-Day 3K Yellow Birds</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>3-Day 2K Blue Birds</li> </ul>
• 5-Day 2K Blue Birds
Spring Break & Easter Holiday (NO SCHOOL)

#### **Spring Photographs & Class Pictures** by *Jacob Dean Photography*

Tues., March 13	Wed., March 14
2-Day 2K Blue Birds	Staff
5-Day 2K Blue Birds	3-Day 2K Blue Birds
5-Day 3K Yellow Birds	5-Day 2K Blue Birds
4K Red Birds	3-Day 3K Yellow Birds

\* 5-Day 2K will have class pictures taken on both days and individual photographs taken on the 14<sup>th</sup>.

### **CCC Donation Drive**

Our March **CCC Donation Drive** has begun! The Episcopal Day School will be collecting canned goods, non-perishable foods, and household goods for Clemson Community Care (CCC) this month. For information about CCC, please visit their website at <u>http://www.clemsoncommunitycare.org/</u>. We will count items on March 23 to see which class has collected the most! Please donate and help your child's class win!

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### **Extracurricular Activities**

### March 2018

### **Creative Movement**

We worked on Health and Self Awareness in Creative Movement during February. We learned all about body parts, while playing some fun games. We also showed and expressed ways that our face and hands show different feelings and emotions. We all played various partner games. This was a lot of fun, and encouraged the children to work together. We did a fun game to help the children learn about making healthy food choices. Stressing the importance of exercise is expressed throughout the year. This past month we did various high intensity moves to help show how exercise is also fun! Watching preschoolers do push-ups and sit ups always puts a smile on my face!!

- Gini Duncan

#### Music

During February Music time, we sang songs about families, love and Valentine's Day. We also learned about loud and soft. We whispered, talked, called and sang. The children learned their voices are capable of doing all sorts of things! They played drums and triangles and discovered that one is louder than the other. During the month we also talked about transportation. We flew, rode bikes, drove fire trucks, cars and more, all to some really fun songs.

In March we will sing about spring, plants, farmers and flying kites. We also look forward to International Week when we will sing, dance and listen to songs from around the world!

– Suzette Andrus

