



Thank You for Supporting Our Book Fair!

Our Scholastic Book Fair was a big success, thanks to the many parents who stopped by to shop. Thanks to your generous support, the classrooms will have nice, new selections of books! A BIG thank you goes to our parent volunteers who worked shifts at the Book Fair:

Kelly Baird  
Maria Dresnin  
Christine Drover  
Sheila Liapis  
Beth Mau  
Bonnie McNeil  
Gail Munzen

Maria Poedtke  
Tiffanie Sperling  
Penny Stange  
Suzanne Storoe  
Nicki Svejda  
Becky Tugman  
Aili Wachtel



Jake Carver (Ms. Kristin's class), and Jacob Martin (Ms. Kathy's class) created a tie in our Book Fair estimation game. Both boys correctly guessed 28 animals in our estimation jar, and they split the prize (\$25 in Scholastic books)!

### Picture Days are coming in January!

Picture Days have been scheduled, and Teddy Bear Portraits will visit Little Blessings on January 26 through January 29, 2010.

Each child will have individual portraits taken, and classes will pose for group photos. **Every child will receive a free class photo!**

Pictures will be ready for selection and pick up on February 9, 3:30pm-6:30pm, and February 10-12, 10:30am-3:30pm. Watch for more

information in January regarding the exact picture day for your child's class.



- Please return your registration form for the 2010/2011 school year **before** Christmas Break.
- Children's Chapel is December 15 and 16.
- Pajama Days are December 17 and 18.
- December 4 is the last day to return items for the toy and coat drive.
- School resumes January 4, 2010
- Spaces are still available in some of our great Enrichment classes.



January is a good time to start!

### E.D.A.C.

#### Everyone Deserves a Chance! Speech-Language Therapy Services

Coming this winter, speech-language therapy services will be offered at Alleluia! Shari Pelzer, M.S. CCC-SLP, will be offering

#### free speech-language screenings:

Monday, January 11 through Thursday, January 14, between 10:00 am and 2:30 pm.

Shari will offer speech-language therapy through individual and small group sessions.

#### For more information please contact:

Shari Pelzer, M.S. CCC-SLP

630-301-3011 or at [kspelzer@comcast.net](mailto:kspelzer@comcast.net)

**Questions?** Shari will be available in the upper level Gathering Area from 11:00 am to 12:00 noon Monday, December 7, and Tuesday December 8, 2009.

### Box Tops Update...

Ms. Joyce and Ms. Debbie's class won the fall Box Tops challenge. They celebrated with a pizza party. Keep saving Box Tops; another challenge (**and class party**) is coming this winter. We hope to have enough money to purchase a laminator by April.



*Thank you Nellie Carlos and Laura Piersanti* for your help with cutting and packaging all of those wonderful Box Tops!



### Mothers of Preschoolers "MOPS"

Mothers of Preschoolers is a place where moms can come and experience: authentic community, personal growth, practical help, and spiritual hope.

We understand your unique needs, challenges, and joys in this vital season of early mothering.

A new semester begins January 2010! Please contact Maria Dresnin at

**[mdresnin@att.net](mailto:mdresnin@att.net)** for more information.



### Ms. Tracy's Kindergarten Corner

What a great time we have had during the month of November! We're having fun with Math—learning all about the "tricky teens" and discovering new ways to represent numbers! We can count to and recognize our numbers all the way to 100, and are learning about ones, tens, and hundreds.

We add to our sight word list every week, and have learned over 25 sight words, in addition to all the words we can now sound out and read! We love our small group Guided Reading time. We learned about hibernation and made our very own bear caves, of course bears are included! We have completed our first of many journals—quite an accomplishment. There are accomplishments to be celebrated everyday in Kindergarten!

