



School Faculty 2018-2019

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From the Director: Parenting Resource Library

By Sarah O'Dell, Executive Director

Did you know that TCS has a parent resource library? I am sure that you have seen it under the mailboxes at the front of the school and if you attended our Parent Ed event "TCS 101" you heard me talk about some of them. I want to take a moment to point out some resources that we often refer parents to and familiarize you with our parent library.

Some of our favorites:

[Unconditional Parenting](#) and [Punished By Rewards](#) by Alfie Kohn

[How To Talk So Kids Will Listen and Listen So Kids Will Talk](#) and [Siblings Without Rivalry](#) by Adele Faber and Elaine Mazlish

[So Sexy So Soon](#) by Diane Levin

[Your Three Year Old](#) by Louise Bates Ames and Frances Ilg (There is a book for each age!)

[Becoming The Parent You Want To Be](#) by Laura Davis and Janis Keyser

These books and many more are available to check out from our parent resource library located under the mailboxes. If you don't see a book you are looking for it is already checked out. Come see me and I will work on getting it for you!

P-TCS News: The Annual Fundraiser for Tuition Assistance

By Angie Fuller, P-TCS President

Every spring, P-TCS raises money for tuition assistance. This money helps families in financial need send their kids to TCS and receive a high quality early childhood education! We fundraise through our annual spring auction event—this year on March 9, 2019 at the U of I School of Law building. We ask dozens of local businesses and community supporters for items and experiences to auction but we also rely on our own TCS families to provide items, experiences, or vacation homes.

Please consider donating an item or experience to the auction!

Popular items include:

- **tickets** (concerts, sporting games, plays, comedy, movies)
- **vacation rentals** (McCall, Sun Valley, Bend, Hawaii, Cabo)
- **hosting and/or preparing a unique dinner**
- **handmade crafts** (quilt, wood working, jewelry, art)
- **household services** (window washing, landscape, garden consult, house cleaning)
- **spa packages** (massage, facial, pedi-mani)
- **gift certificates** (restaurants, retail stores, services)
- **specialty beer/wines/liquor**

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Important Details

Please see the Weekly Updates and the school calendar for a comprehensive list of events and closures.

Monday, January 21st, SCHOOL CLOSED for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Thursday, January 24th, TCS Open House, 6:00-8:00 PM, Adults Only

Friday, January 25th, Enrollment Information will be distributed. Tuition assistance applications at www.sssbynais.com, School code #4112. Please apply online by February 8, 2019.

Friday, February 8th, Intention Forms due in Office by 4:00 PM. Contracts prepared and mailed. Tuition decisions will be finalized prior to enrollment.

Monday, February 18th, SCHOOL CLOSED for Presidents' Day

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- **rounds of golf**
- **classes or lessons** (piano, yoga, tennis, karate)
- **unique experiences** (outdoor adventures, behind the scenes, meet a local celebrity)

Many people don't believe they have anything special to give, but that couldn't be any further from the truth! If you have a hobby, can you offer a class or item related to your hobby? If you know a local celeb, could you arrange a meet and greet dinner or drinks? If you have season tickets, can you spare a few? If you love river rafting, can you offer a half day trip down the Main?

Thank you to everyone who brainstorms ideas and offers up donations. We couldn't do it without YOU!! Please contact Stacy Jensen if you have questions or would like to donate at sldittrich@yahoo.com.

Classroom News

All of our classes are enjoying their time back from the Winter Holiday Break. While the administration is working hard on all the information you will need to plan for the next school year and summer, the children and teachers are very busy in the here and now. Some classes are focusing on their classroom community as school can feel a little different when young children return from an extended break. (As I write this on Friday morning, all the classroom have a busy hum and it seems the tough transitions to school in the morning are finished...for now.) Other classes have already determined their next project and the adults are busy with the 'behind the scenes' work of gathering materials, planning activities and expanding their resources and knowledge base. Here is what some of our classes have experienced this first week back from the holidays.

—Nicole Shadduck, Education Director

The Younger All Days have enjoyed many activities while adjusting back to their school routines. Some highlights are: making slime, name tracing with puffy paint, playing sleepy kitties and Lego party, using eye droppers with ice blocks, making collage art and singing Baby Shark. Families in this class are also invited to sign up for home snacks. This class enjoys snacks! The children take part in sharing home snacks and cooking as part of their weekly routine. It is a great way for the children to bring a piece of their home life into the classroom. They talk about how the food was made or how and why it was chosen in the store for our class. A special thank you to the families for your thoughtfulness in this part of our day.

The Older Part Times have discovered the fun of playing veterinarian/pet shop in the dramatic play area. They have also visited the multi-purpose room and used the Nuudles to create their own artwork. A sensory table highlight was serving 'spaghetti and meatballs' using pom-poms and real pasta.

The Younger Part Times were excited to come back to school and quickly readjusted back to the class routines. We expanded our collection of trains and props to include bridges, switches, slopes and MORE trains. Some children have started building elaborate paths for the trains to run on as the play becomes more elaborate. Another change to their play has been in the dramatic play area. The hair salon is now a vet clinic. A big part of their play is learning about the different tools a vet might use: stethoscopes, syringes, otoscopes and a blood pressure cuff.