



# THE BOULEVARD SCHOOL

October 2009

Now that the hustle and bustle of the beginning of the school year has subsided, the children have settled into their new classes and are making new friends. It is gratifying to see them involved in their classes and participating in school activities!

Our monthly newsletters are intended to keep you informed about the many activities offered at The Boulevard School. Please set aside some time and read them. They contain important information regarding all the wonderful and exciting activities we have planned for our children and families this year.

### FUNDRAISER Wrapping Paper is back



**ORDER TODAY!**  
**Innisbrook Wraps Fund Raiser**  
Support our first school fundraiser of the year! Our Innisbrook Wraps fundraiser IS NOW ON! It ends Oct. 9th. Innisbrook offers quality holiday wrapping paper for all special and holiday occasions. You may also purchase tasty treats and unique gift items. This is a wonderful opportunity to prepare for the holidays and support your child's school at the same time!

### Rodi's corner

The Boulevard School has begun it's 36th year! We are very proud of our teachers, our curriculum, and the wonderful families who share their children with us.

It is with much pride and pleasure that we work and play with our children, and teach them to be good people and function independently. We want our children to have self-confidence, and feel good about themselves. We work to give them a well rounded program with arts & crafts, music, science, cooking, and a strong academic foundation.

We are confident that our children will have a great experience in a warm, loving, and caring environment at The Boulevard School.

Fondly,

**Rodi**

**Pajama Day, Friday Oct. 16th** - We have planned a very special day for the children. We will be making breakfast with the children. Please send your child in his/her p.j's. Send a change of clothes for the afternoon. Some children may want to be changed into their regular clothes for the afternoon. Everyone really gets into this special day of fun!

**Morning gate drop off**  
8:40 - 9:00 rooms 4-11  
9:00 - 9:15 rooms 1, 2, 12 -17

**Noon pick up (half day children)**  
11:45 - 12:00 rooms 4, 5, 9, 10  
from the classroom

**Afternoon pick up**  
2:45 - 3:00 rooms 6, 7, 8, 10, 11  
3:00 - 3:15 rooms 1, 2, 12 - 17

### **Daycare Room Guide**

**AM D/C**  
Rooms 1 - 16 go to room 16

**PM D/C**  
Rooms 1,2,12,14,17 go to room 4  
Rooms 15,16 go to room 5  
Rooms 6 - 11 go to room 6

### **CALENDAR**

- Oct. 9th Innisbrook Wraps orders are due
- Oct. 14, 15 Speech & Hearing screening
- Oct. 15th Tuition #4 due
- Oct. 16th Pajama Day with breakfast
- Oct. 21st Parenting Class: Topic is Setting Limits
- Oct. 29th Spirit Day & Sing-a-long
- Oct 30th Halloween parties & parades

### **HALLOWEEN PARADE**

**Oct. 30th-Halloween** - Please do not send your child to school in a costume or mask. It can be uncomfortable and sometimes scares other children. Send it in a bag and the teacher will help your child put it on.

- 2-3 year olds - 10:45am
- 4-5 year olds - 1:30pm

### **Speech & Hearing Screening**

On Wednesday & Thursday, **Oct. 14th & 15th**, Lisa Harwin, a licensed speech pathologist, will be screening our children. There is no charge for the speech screening. For children age 3 and up, hearing may also be screened at a nominal charge. Return your authorization form with payment for this. Two year old children will not be screened.

### **Suspecting a Hearing Loss**

For many children, the very mild hearing loss that can result from fluid in the ear might never be detected. Parents and children alike compensate for the hearing loss - probably without even realizing they're doing it. For instance, the parent may speak louder, repeat sentences or words, or may move closer to the child. The child compensates by watching a speaker's lips, moving closer to the sound, or asking the speaker to repeat himself. One telltale sign of hearing loss is when a child turns up the volume on a television set or cd player in order to hear better.

Parents should be alert to any changes in the child's speech or behavior that indicates the hearing loss is interfering with the way the child speaks, learns language or perceives the world.

### **Karate, Judaica, Tumblebees, Creative Dance, Story/Arts, Computer Club, Animal, Young Rembrandts, Cooking, Amazing Athletes**

Session 1 classes began the week of Sept. 7th and continue through Friday, Oct. 30th.

Sign up now for our extracurricular classes. Space is limited.

Classes are kept small and space is limited. Session 2 is Nov. 2nd - Dec. 18th

*Please bring your child to school and pick him/her up from school at the correct time in order to minimize traffic problems. If you have two children attending, please pick them up at the later time.*

*Please follow these procedures to help minimize parking lot traffic:*

- A) There are **two lanes** for drop off. Follow the teacher's instructions and it will go more smoothly. Do not park your car in any of the drive-thru lanes at any time.

### **NO SPEEDING IN THE PARKING LOT**

- B) Park in the designated parking spots or on the street. There is no parking **at any time** in the red zones in the front of the school. It is dangerous and severely limits the view of parents trying to exit the parking lot. **HANG UP YOUR CELL PHONE BEFORE ENTERING THE SCHOOL PARKING LOT.**

- C) To avoid dings, please be aware of the parked cars next to you when opening your car door.

### **Morning drop off: 8:40 - 9:15**

Let a teacher at the gate take your child to class. Most of the children are separating nicely from their parents and can now be dropped off. This is an important step in their independence.

### **Noon pickup: 11:45 - 12:00noon and Afternoon pickup: 2:45 - 3:15**

Please find a parking space as quickly as safely possible, pick up your child from class, and leave as quickly as possible. This is a **BIG** help in minimizing traffic in the parking lot. Sometimes a staff member will be helping with parking in the afternoon. Watch for him/her and follow their directions. If there is no parking, please pull through and park on the street. We suggest you park in the CVS parking lot and walk over.

### **Room Mom/Dad**

**Let your child's teacher know if you would like to be a room mom/dad**

### **SCHOOL POLICIES...**

Please read the following carefully. School policies are designed to make your school experience as positive as your child's:

**Label ALL clothing** and any other items your child brings to school. Bring a large labeled zip-loc bag with a change of clothes appropriate for the time of year. The children should wear their school spirit clothes on school **Spirit Days** and any other time. Additional t-shirts are available for purchase for you or your child in the

Please RSVP to birthday parties in a timely manner.

Respect your child's artwork. They put a lot of effort in to their projects and need your positive feedback.

Dress your child comfortably so they are free to move during the day and participate in all activities. Party clothes are not appropriate for school.

### **Mommy & Me classes**

Classes have begun! Classes are held daily for children 10-23 months. Sign up now. Some classes are full. Remaining space is limited.

### **BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION**

During the school year we are collecting box tops for education. Please take a look at the list you received at the beginning of the school year for products carrying the "Box Tops For Education" label. There are hundreds of items on that list from cereal, snacks, storage bags, waste bags, personal care, baby items, etc. Complete the box top collection worksheet with your child and bring it to school .

Please bring all box tops to the school office.

### **Emergency Kits**

Please remember to bring in your Earthquake Emergency Kit to your child's classroom as soon as possible.

### **MEMO**

to: Parents  
from: A Child

1. Don't spoil me. I know quite well that I ought not to have all I ask for - I'm only testing you.
2. Don't be afraid to be firm with me. I prefer it; it makes me feel secure.
3. Don't let me form bad habits. I have to rely on you to detect them in the early stages.
4. Don't make me feel smaller than I already am. It only makes me behave stupidly "big".
5. Don't correct me in front of people if you can help it. I'll take much more notice if you talk quietly with me in private.
6. Don't make me feel that my mistakes are sins. It upsets my sense of values.
7. Don't protect me from consequences. I need to learn the painful way sometimes.
8. Don't be too upset when I say "I hate you". Sometimes it isn't you I hate but your power to thwart me.

### **MEMO (CONTINUED)**

9. Don't take too much notice of my small ailments. Sometimes they get me the attention I need.
10. Don't nag. If you do, I shall have to protect myself by appearing deaf.
11. Don't forget that I cannot explain myself as well as I should like. That is why I am not always accurate.
12. Don't put me off when I ask questions. If you do, you will find that I stop asking and seek my information elsewhere.
13. Don't be inconsistent. It completely confuses me and makes me lose faith in you.
14. Don't tell me my fears are silly. They are terribly real to me and you can't do much.
15. Don't ever suggest that you are perfect or infallible. It gives me too great a shock when I discover that you are neither.