



CONNECTIONS

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Redeemer Episcopal Academy Parent Association Monthly Newsletter

Parent Meeting on Monday, 10/29/07 at 6:00pm

Dates to remember:

10/22 & 10/23– Help with large mailing at school 11:00am

10/29/07–1st R.E.A.P.A.

Parent meeting held at the school at 6:00pm . Childcare provided.

11/1 & 11/2 /07–Parent Teacher Conferences. Dismiss at 12:00.

November–Upcoming Fundraiser

Words for Reflection

"Yesterday's the past, tomorrow's the future but today is a gift. That's why it's called the Present."

-Bill Keane

MOMS IN TOUCH



Please join a wonderful group of Moms for prayer time each Wednesday at 8:15 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. The group meets at Daniela Garofalo's house in Cuscowilla. Please see Dr. Lot or Heidi Kalpak for more information.

Father Geoff Needs You!

We are searching for handy volunteers to help with the following:

- Landscape and lawn maintenance
- Painting and clean-up
- Build office walls to create an office space for Father Geoff.

Contact the office for info.



Please remember to attend the R.E.A.P.A. Parent Meeting on Monday, October 29th at 6:00pm. The meeting will be held in the Chapel room at the school. The R.E.A.P.A. officers encourage both parents to come. There will be childcare provided during the meeting . We will take up a collection for the caregivers at the end of the meeting. If both parents cannot attend, the officers encourage at least one family member come to have input and learn about all the exciting activities that are planned for the upcoming year.

Agenda Topics (tentative):

1. R.E.A.P.A. 's mission and purpose.
2. Representing the Redeemer in the community.
3. Classroom Representative introductions.
4. Parent concerns, ideas and praises.
5. Communication program: Circle Up
6. Financial considerations of a new school.
7. Fundraising Presentation by Heidi Kalpak
8. Spirit Wear
9. Words from Father Geoff
10. Dates, reminders and other business topics.

They will also be seeking ideas and suggestions for how R.E.A.P.A. can be instrumental in helping support families and staff throughout the school year.

Parent Association Officers Meeting

Highlights: 10-15-07

1. Discussion of school directory and student handbook..
2. Classroom Representatives upcoming meetings with teachers and parents.
3. Oct. 29th agenda topics and format of meeting were discussed..
4. School logo and spirit wear.
5. Input from Father Geoff and Heidi Kalpak regarding the school's financial needs and fundraisers.
6. Fundraising Committees plans for the school year.
7. Set meeting date with Class Reps.

2007 Classroom Representatives

K-3 Reps. Tracey Laney

Renata Wilson

K-4 Reps. Caitlin Darby

Daniela Garofola

Kinder. Reps. Christine Kent

Jennifer Brooks

1st grade Rep. Jacqui Cowles

2nd grade Rep. Dana O'Neil

The volunteers above will be serving those classrooms listed. They will be contacting parents for classroom needs, such as, class parties, class supplies, volunteer sign-up etc.

NOW is the Time to Make a Difference!

We are excited to announce that Redeemer is coordinating it's first major **FUN**raising event in **November**. The exciting details of this event will be explained at our parent meeting on Oct. 29th, so don't miss it! If you are available to volunteer for **ONE** shift on a **Saturday** for the month of **November**, either 10-1pm or 1-4pm, please contact **Heidi Kalpak** immediately at **706-485-8483**

OPEN HOUSE AND RIBBON CUTTING EVENT 11/8/07

On Thursday, November 8, 2007 from 5:00pm to 7:00pm, we will be celebrating our opening with an Open House and Ribbon Cutting event at the school.

The purpose of the Open House and Ribbon Cutting is tri-fold:

1. To celebrate the opening of Redeemer Episcopal Academy.
2. To Provide prospective parents an opportunity to experience our school in a no-pressure environment.

3. To show the community the amazing work going on at R.E.A.-our relentless pursuit of excellence.

Please invite your family, friends, neighbors and church members to join us. We will also be marketing the event throughout the area Chambers of Commerce and mailings. Hopefully, we will have a large crowd.

The students will be performing at various points during the

event from 5:00pm to 6:30pm. We will be providing details on times later, so be sure and bring your cameras and camcorders.

Please speak with your Classroom Representatives about ways you can be involved in helping the evening of the event.

Thank you for all the incredible support you have provided the Redeemer Episcopal Academy.

IT'S TIME TO CELEBRATE!!!!



SIDE NOTE

- Please email any names of friends, neighbors, church members, etc. to the email below that have school-age children and would be interested in REA. We will send invitations to them for our Open House /Ribbon Cutting event.
- We are planning a parent appreciation activity. Please email any ideas or suggestions to Kelley below.

Please contact Kelley Buttrick at :

admissions@redeemeracademy.org

[Or 404-358-7345](tel:404-358-7345)

ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

Beginning November 1, 2007, we will open our enrollment for the 2008-2009 academic year. The Marketing committee is planning a campaign including newspaper and radio advertisements, informational meetings in three counties, word-of-mouth programs, direct mail postcards to a purchased mailing list, posters, web site redesign, road signs, and the Ribbon Cutting/Open House event. We will give you details soon about how you can support these efforts with your time and culinary talents. We appreciate all of the talk you have generated in the community about R.E.A. According to the Parent Marketing Survey, "Word of Mouth" was, by far, the most

effective way the R.E.A. story was told.

For 2008-2009, the admissions process is as follows:

- Application submitted
- Applicant is assessed by an outside entity and by REA staff
- Applicant submits teacher recommendation form
- Applicant's current school submits transcripts and test scores
- All applicants' files will be reviewed by the Admissions Committee

FOUNDING FAMILIES BENEFIT

Because you were one of the first families who stepped forward in faith by enrolling your child at REA, your family has the Founding Families benefit. This program locks in the 2007-2008 tuition (\$7,250 for one child, \$13,500 for two children and \$19,750 for three children) for this academic year up to and including 2009-2010. Founding Families are only responsible for 50% of any future

tuition increase after the 2009-2010 academic year. This benefit will apply to each family enrolling children before December 31, 2007. If you have any friends or neighbors who are interested in REA, this may be a good piece of information to share with them.

WAYS YOU CAN HELP ADMISSIONS AND MARKETING COMMITTEE

- Talk to your Classroom Representative about how you can help for Open House.
- Carry the "Word of Mouth" business cards and pass them out.
- Help with mail outs. 3,000 postcards are going out. Be at school Tuesday 10/23 at 11:00am