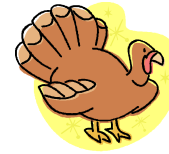


## November 2011

- 10/31 Costume Parties—all classes  
Half Day - No Afternoon Adventures/No Extended Day
- 11/1 Tuition due for November  
Afternoon Adventures fees due for October
- 11/2 Happy Birthday, Mrs. Risley!
- 11/3 Happy Birthday, Mrs. Heim!  
Timeless Tales Theatre at 9:30 (Everyone welcome!)
- 11/6 Happy Birthday, Mrs. Walters!
- 11/7 Mrs. Moore's VPK visits the Library  
911 Presentations for MWF 2's and 3's,  
VPK (Heim) and VPK (Jones)
- 11/8 School and Holiday Photos by Lifetouch for  
2's, 3's, VPK (Moore), VPK (Heim)  
911 Presentations for TTh 2' and 3's and VPK (Moore)
- 11/9 School and Holiday Photos by Lifetouch for  
2's, 3's, VPK (Jones)
- 11/10 School Spirit Day—everyone wear your RDS t-shirt
- 11/18 Half Day—no Extended Day or Afternoon Adventures
- 11/19-11/27 Thanksgiving Holidays
- 11/28 Resume classes
- 11/29 PAC Committee Meeting in church nursery at 9:10 a.m.
- 11/30 PAC Committee Meeting in church nursery at 9:10 a.m.

### RDS Website/E-mails

Please check for e-mails daily. I rarely send home hard copy messages so we can save on paper. Please check our website often at [www.riveraumc.org/rds](http://www.riveraumc.org/rds) for any information you may need. Teacher bulletins and calendars, along with school events, are posted on the site.



## **The Riviera Gobbler** **Riviera Day School** **November 2011**

### CC Chatter

Dear RDS Families —

Lots of exciting things happening in November. We will be starting a trial run of Lunch Bunch, just to see if this is something that families are interested in. We will have our Thanksgiving feasts for each class and we will be getting our Individual/Holiday photos done by LifeTouch. Details of all events are listed in this newsletter.

We have noticed local traffic using our back driveways as a short-cut. In order to make it safer for our children and a more permanent solution (other than Pastor Mason's car blocking the way), we are having a chain installed across the middle drive. You will still be able to enter and leave on the side you usually do and we will make it so parents can still get through both car lines when necessary.

I wanted to thank you for your thoughts and feedback. It helps us to continue to strive to make Riviera one of the very best preschools in Pinellas County. Please e-mail me anytime you have a question or idea regarding our school at [dayschool@riveraumc.org](mailto:dayschool@riveraumc.org)

We feel blessed to have such a wonderful school, dedicated teachers, and loving families. Thank you for your constant support and appreciation. Have a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday!

Gobble, Gobble -

*Cyndi Chavez*

RDS Director

### Parent Advisory Committee

Thank you to those of you who joined our Parent Advisory meeting in October. We got lots of great feedback from the parents. The committee will be sending out a survey to all parents the first week of November. Please take a moment to complete your survey and bring it back to school by Nov 14th. Manila envelopes will be placed next to each classroom for you to put your survey in anonymously. PAC will meet again on November 29th and 30th in the church nursery at 9:10 a.m. to discuss survey results and any other thoughts/ideas/concerns. Choose which day best suits you. We would love to have you join us.

### School Photos

Life Touch will be here on November 8th and 9th for our school/holiday photos. You should have already received your photo order form from your teacher. Please complete the form and send back in before November 8th. Filling out the form does not commit you to any photos. You decide later—when you receive your proofs—whether you would like to order any or not. They will take photos of all the children, regardless. You may want to dress them in holiday attire on their scheduled picture day and we will do our best to keep them presentable until picture time.

### Timeless Tales Theatre

Everyone (parents, siblings, grandparents, friends) is welcome to come on Thursday, November 3, for the story of *Tom, the Turkey*. This is the tale of the first Thanksgiving from a turkey's point of view. If your child is in a MWF class, please make a special trip over to school and join us. Timeless Tales always put on the best shows and we know this one will be great fun as well. Meet us at 9:30 in the Church sanctuary for an exciting, and usually very funny, performance.

### Introducing Lunch Bunch!

Back by popular demand, we are announcing the grand re-opening of Lunch Bunch. Lunch Bunch is from 12:00—1:00 and costs \$7.00 per day. Beginning **November 2nd**, you may sign up your child to stay an extra hour and enjoy lunch with friends. You must sign up your child in the School office and, you are responsible for packing your child's lunch/drink. There is no rest time scheduled during this hour, just lunch and play. Pick up is precisely at 1:00 at the main car line by the school office. Lunch bunch will be held in Mrs. Moore's classroom along with the Afternoon Adventures group unless it fills and we need to add a second classroom. If so, the Lunch Bunch group will be with Mrs. Crow in her classroom.

Don't worry, we still have Afternoon Adventures for those who would like to stay until 3:00 for only \$15.00. Again, please sign up in the school office to check for availability or submit an AA form to Mrs. Jans. Remember, children in the 2-year old class that have turned 3 and potty trained may qualify to stay for Lunch Bunch or Afternoon Adventures—just ask.

### Cookie Dough Fundraiser

Wow—you really came through with the cookie dough/pretzel orders! All together you sold 174 items worth over \$2,700.00 —fantastic! Because our total was over 150 items, our school receives 40%, making a grand total of \$1084 going toward our school. We are so very grateful!

Congratulations to our biggest sellers—first place to Danica Johnson (2's) who sold 17 items worth \$279, second place to Skylar Radczenko (VPK-Heim) who sold 17 items worth \$262, and third place to Lily Brinkley (3's) who sold 15 items worth \$226. Please come to the school office to collect your prize.

### Two's Class Survey

Everyone in the 2's class received an e-mail just asking what your thoughts were for next year. Many replied, but some have not and I would love to hear from all of you. Let me know what you're thinking for Fall 2012—2 days, 3 days, or 5 days. It helps me plan for registration.