



July 2013

Whale Tales

South County Pre-Kindergarten Co-op
Monthly Newsletter

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CALENDAR 2013-2014 SCHOOL YEAR

August 17

Fall Clean Up- Mandatory for ALL families 9 a.m.
(3's outside, 4's inside as needed)

August 20

3's (AM and PM) **Class Picnic** 10-12 p.m. at School

August 21

4's (AM and PM) **Class Picnic** 10-12 p.m. at School

August 22

Board Meeting 7:30 p.m. Location TBD

August 27

New Family Parent Workshop
(6:30-7:30 p.m. or 7:30-8:30 p.m., your choice).
No children please

September 1

October tuition due

September 3

Split Class/First day for 3's. Parents stay

September 4

Split Class/First day for 4's. Parents stay

September 5

Rosh Hashanah, school closed

September 6

First full day for 4's

September 9

General Membership Meeting- Ford Hall 7 p.m.
Mandatory for all members. *No children please.*

September 10

First full day for 3's

September 19

Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.

August 1st Deadlines

Health Forms

Health Forms for NEW families are due August 1st. This includes the child health form as well as the parent health form (for the parent who will be parent helping). Completed health forms are a county requirement and must be submitted for before your child can attend school.

If you have questions or need additional copies of the form, please e-mail Heidi Silvestri at: heidisilvestri21@yahoo.com.

Please mail all forms to:

SCPC Attn. Heidi Silvestri

P.O. Box 160, Davidsonville MD 21035

Emergency Cards

Each child needs a new emergency card completed and returned with their August tuition payment. These may be mailed to: SCPC P.O. Box 160, Davidsonville, MD 21035

Tuition Payment

Due the first of every month

September tuition is due August 1st:

\$95 for 3's and \$125 for 4's

Checks made out to: SCPC

Child's name/class in memo line.

Payments received after the 10th will incur a late fee.

Please mail to:

SCPC Attn. Anne Canaday

P.O. Box 160, Davidsonville MD 21035

After September, tuition may be placed in the tuition box inside the front door of the school.

From the Board President

By Anne Canaday

Welcome to all the new and returning families. As we officially kick off our 2013-14 school year with this first edition of Whale Tales I want to let you know how excited I am to be serving as your President this year and look forward to meeting all of you and working with you this year. This is my second year at the Co-Op, Madelyn will be in the 4AM class, with my daughter Isabela following next year. And although it's only my second year at the co-op I began hearing about the SCPC from friends shortly after I announced we were expecting. I know many students who are alumni and I'm excited that my daughters can follow in their footsteps (and have the same teachers!).

The Board of Directors transitioned into their roles at our June board meeting. A heartfelt thank you to Stacey and last year's Board for their tremendous leadership and hard work as well as a thank you to all the parents and Ms. Barbara and Ms. Ann who make the school what it is. I'm excited by what's in store for our school as I get to know our new membership and their collective experience and creative ideas.

During the summer, the Board will meet monthly to prepare for the upcoming school year. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend the Board meetings. I began last year on outside maintenance and attended the board meetings out of curiosity about the school- what I quickly discovered is that it was a great way to get to know people and become engaged in the school. Consider joining us—we value you and your input and look forward to getting to know you! **Our first board meeting will**

be July 25th at 7:30 p.m. – look for the reminder in your inbox!

Each month you will receive the SCPC Whale Tales newsletter via e-mail. This resource contains a lot of pertinent and timely information including activities planned for your child's class, key dates for general membership and board meetings, updates on committee assignments and much more. Please read your newsletters as this is a major source of information!

In addition we are working on a new and updated website with enhanced features, so stay tuned for that launch in August! In the meanwhile "Like" us on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/DavidsonvillePrek>

The South County Co-op is a school like no other! Our school provides the unique opportunity to play an active role in your child's educational beginning, fostering of social skills and creative play. We are a cooperative school, so we all have a vested interest in our school and our children's success.

Again, I'm excited to work with each of you and get to know you and your families. Please don't hesitate to call or email with any questions or concerns- I'm here to serve you and your family!

Cheers,

Anne Canaday

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734-717-0480 (calls/text)

• Enrollment News •

There are still several openings in the 3's and 4's classes this year. Word-of-mouth from current members is our best means of advertising. Help spread the word to friends and neighbors this summer. Have your kids wear their SCPC shirts to the playground and other events.

Interested families should contact Kelly LaBrutte at enrollment@davidsonvilleprek.com or call (410) 257-1081.

There is an incentive program this year for members who refer new students. You can receive a \$25 gift card for each new family who joins.

LET'S GO OUT
TO THE
BALL GAME!

Check your
August newsletter
and
join us for a
Bowie Baysox
game!





Teacher's Corner

By Barbara Freeman

Happy summer!! We hope everyone is having a wonderful summer vacation so far. It has been a crazy summer at the Freeman household trying to keep up with two new grandchildren. Between two visits to Florida to see baby Miles and trying to keep baby Lucy's big brother entertained when we are home, it has been lots of fun but not very restful!

Ann and I would like to welcome all the new families to SCPC. We are so glad you have chosen a co-op for your child's first pre-school experience! Spending time with your child in the classroom is rewarding in so many ways. We look forward to getting to know your child and the rest of the family through-out the school year.

While you are out and about this summer, please remember to have someone take a family photo. We will need a family picture at the beginning of the school year. Summer vacation is the perfect time to snap that Kodak (Shutterfly?) moment!

See you the end of August!



First Day of School!

The first day of school, classes are split to allow for a more gradual entrance.

Children will attend with their parents for ½ the regular class time. No siblings please.

More information on your time slot will be in the August newsletter.

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Reminders & Notes

Fall Clean Up for Interior and Exterior:

August 17th at 9:00 a.m. This mandatory clean up is for ALL Families. The 3's parents will be primarily focused on the outside of the school (weed pulling/mulching playground etc). Our 4's parents will be inside unpacking, cleaning, setting up toys, equipment and supplies for the new school year. Each family is required to send one parent to help (though we love to have two!). If you have more than one child enrolled, you need send only one parent. We recommend if you will be working inside to NOT bring your children (there is a lot of heavy furniture stacked and moved, it's not safe!). We prefer the outside team not to bring children, however if they come they will need to be outside and supervised.

If there is a valid reason you cannot make the clean up, e-mail or call Heather Oster, 410-798-0409 or heatheroster99@yahoo.com by August 10th to schedule an alternate job to fulfill your membership requirement.

*Please note, SCPC By-laws state that families who do not participate in mandatory clean-ups will be fined \$75. Thank you for your cooperation in making our school a great place to be!

New Family Workshop

All new families to the school are required

to attend one of two workshop times. This is an opportunity to hear from Ms. Barbara about what to expect during class times and your roll as parent helper. In addition you'll be given a tour of the school to familiarize you with where to find important and helpful items. Our workshop is on **Tuesday Aug 27th from 6:30-7:30 p.m. or 7:30-8:30 p.m.** (choose one – no kids please).

If you are unable to attend, e-mail Anne Canaday at: president@davidsonvilleprek.com to schedule a time to take the tour.

Family Photos Needed

All families will need to bring a family photo in for the beginning of the year. Make sure you take a moment to snap a family shot this summer!

Obligation of Membership

Please read carefully the obligations of membership and return a signed copy with your August tuition payment. The obligations of membership review your responsibilities as a member as well as highlighting mandatory meeting and work days and providing an overview of the financial obligations of membership.

If you have questions, call or e-mail SCPC President, Anne Canaday at president@davidsonvilleprek.com or 734-717-0480.



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The Davidsonville Pre-school

● Current Openings for Fall 2013 ●

3 year-old Classes
4 year-old Classes

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