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Dear Parents and Friends,

We hope you are having a wonderful summer with your children and getting excited about the upcoming school year. As we speak, I am watching our summer campers out the window enjoying their final day safari parade!

As many of you are aware, our distinguished Adventure Bound teacher, Christy Coburn, has been serving in the capacity of Interim Director for the past year and half. Together with Nancy Brooks—previous director and “in-house” consultant—these wonderful ladies have helped ECC earn the distinction and honor of *Washington Family Magazine’s* 2011 **Best Preschool Program** and **Best Child Care Center** in the metro area!! Our outstanding staff and Board of Directors, as well as voting parents should be very proud of this honor, and certainly as the new *incoming* Director, I feel very fortunate to be joining such a wonderful community of people. Christy and Nancy have both been very generous and giving of their time and energies, and have helped to facilitate a smooth transition for the coming year; I am truly indebted to both of them!

We are thrilled to announce that all of our classes are up and “ready to roll” for the upcoming school year with a sizable waiting list. We have a few remaining openings, so please tell your friends and neighbors who may be looking for a “home-away-from-home:”

- 1 opening in the Explorers MWF 4’s class a.m. class
- 4 openings in the Discoverers M – F 4’s a.m. class
- 4 openings in the Tadpoles 3s/4/s TWTH program p.m. class
- **Plenty** of openings in our daily After-care program...sign up!

As in the past, we offer opportunities for before-care (Early Drop) beginning at 8:15, if a need arises during the school.

Please be sure to remember and mark your calendars for our upcoming mandatory Parent Orientation and Back-to-School Night (these are both **adult-only events**):

Wednesday, August 31st: Parent Orientation (note time correction)

ALL CLASSES will meet in Founder’s Hall (in the main church building off the courtyard) from 7:30-8:30 to meet the staff, hear important information, and have some fun!

Parents will meet with your child’s teachers in their classroom as follows before or after the general orientation to learn more specifics:

- Bluebirds (Rm. 3), Stars (Rm.1), and Tadpoles (Rm. 4) **from 7:00-7:30 pm.**
- Goldfish and Butterflies (Rm. 4), Ducks (Rm. 3), Explorers (Rm. 1), Discovers (Rm. 2), *and* learn about our fabulous After-Care program (Founder’s Hall) **from 8:30-9 p.m.**

Monday, September 26th or Tuesday, September 27th, 7-8:00 pm: Back-to-School Night

Monday evening: Bluebirds, Stars, and Tadpoles parents will meet in their classrooms.

Tuesday evening: Goldfish, Butterflies, Ducks, Explorers, and Discoverers parents will meet in their respective classrooms.

Thank you for entrusting your children to our care; we take this role very seriously and look forward to welcoming all of you to the 2011-2012 school year. As the “newbie” at the center, I look forward to getting to know each of you and your child(ren) personally.

We would like to create a Parent Directory to distribute at the Orientation that will include your address and basic contact information. If you do NOT want to include a part of that information, please send us an email August 12th; otherwise we will include it in the Directory. See you August 31st!

All the Best,

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