

5-18-2010

## **Greetings from The Learning Choice Academy!**

### **Don't Lose Your EP! Order Books Early!**

Registration paperwork for the 2010-2011 school year is available now. If you are planning to return to TLC next year, please let your EP know and they will have the paperwork ready for you at your next meeting. There is an advantage in registering early. Returning students who re-register by **May 28<sup>th</sup>** will have priority over new students. They will be able to select their EP and order their books for next year. This also places them first in line to receive those books in the fall! TLC is very lucky to have many new students registering now for next year. After **May 28<sup>th</sup>**, those students will be assigned EPs and will be able to place orders for their instructional materials. Don't lose your students' priority...re-register now!

Of course, we hope to see all of you back next year but if you are not planning to return, please let us know so we can get some information about your educational plans for next year.

### **Board Member Applications**

Parents, it's that time again! Are you interested in serving on TLC's Board of Directors? You can be a TLC Board Member and help the school move forward in the 2010-2011 school year. Board members are required to attend monthly meetings and may be called upon to attend other TLC functions. Fill out the attached "Petition for Candidacy" form and share with other TLC parents why you want to be involved. All petitions for candidacy must be received by **Friday, May 21, 2010**. Voting for Board Members will take place in June.

### **Post-Testing Party**

We are all pumped up about this year's post testing party! Students that participate in all 3 days of STAR testing will be eligible for this FREE special event. You can still sign up to attend the Murrieta trip if you were not able to attend the event in Mission Valley.

At SkyHigh Party Zone, TLC will have the run of 9,000 sq ft bounce room which won the 2009 Nickelodeon Parents' Choice Award for the Best Indoor Playspace in the San Diego and Riverside Areas. You can jump on one of six huge bouncers, play ping-pong, air hockey, shuffleboard and arcade games. Then test your singing skills on the karaoke stage. Have a blast in our new Glow-in-the-dark air cannon ball room where you will go head to head with up to four friends and then become a target yourself as you run into the middle to get more ammo! Socks required. Non-participants are free.

**Date:** Monday, May 24, 2010

**Time:** 10 am – 2 pm

**Location:** 26670 Madison Avenue, Murrieta, CA 92562

**Fee:** Free for testing students (2<sup>nd</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> grade that attend all 3 testing days). \$8

participants (sibling/parents).  
RSVP at your site.

### **Stars on Ice**

The Stars of Vancouver are coming to you LIVE on **Saturday, May 22** for Smucker's Stars on Ice. Fresh off the ice in Vancouver, the Stars will bring the excitement of their performances directly to you. The Smucker's on Ice Tour captures their spirit as it visits cities across the USA, each for one night only. Don't miss your only opportunity to see Olympic Silver Medalist Sasha Cohen , World Champion and Olympic Gold Medalist Evan Lysacek, Olympic Silver Medalists Tanith Belbin & Benjamin Agosto and MORE of the world's best skaters in this magical combination of artistry, athleticism, and great music - all in one show!

**Time:** 7:30 pm **Location:** San Diego Sports Arena **Fee:** \$39 (end lower level) OR \$14 (end loge or Terrace). **Parking:** \$20.00 Min. 10. RSVP by Monday, May 3.

### **PETCO Park Tour**

On **Friday, May 28**, take a tour of PETCO Park! The tour lasts about 75 minutes and visits many behind-the-scenes areas of the ballpark such as the press box, a private suite, a luxury lounge, the dugout/warning track area and the historic Western Metal Supply Co. Building. The tour discusses the history of the ballpark, some San Diego/ baseball history, and lots of information on how the ballpark operates.

**Time:** 11:30 am-12:45 pm (check-in 11:00 am). **Location:** PETCO Park, 100 Park Boulevard, San Diego, CA 92101. **Fee:** \$4 students, \$8 adults. RSVP by Friday, May 21, 2010.

### **Showcase 2010: "TLC-opoly"**

It is time for the biggest show of the year-TLC's annual Research Project Showcase. Homeschool families are great at using games to make learning unique and fun so in that spirit we present, "TLC-opoly" at Balboa Park Club Ballroom from 9:30-11am (9-9:30 am set-up) on **Friday, June 4**. This event will feature your project "property" as a square on the life-size game. This event is the perfect venue to further develop a topic of interest, highlight a thematic unit or explore a hobby/activity in depth. Pass Go as you enter and collect play money for the raffle and your ribbon of participation. Visit other student projects as you work your way around the board. Be careful not to land in jail or you'll have to roll the giant dice to get out! A fun celebration of learning! Get ready to play by starting your project now. Ask your EP for a research packet and take a ride on the Reading Railroad to get moving! Most students rate showcase as one of their favorite events of the year. Don't miss your CHANCE to show what you've learned and share your accomplishments with family and friends! **Time:** 9:30 -11 am. **Location:** Balboa Park Club Ballroom. **RSVP ASAP.**

### **Free Family Field Day: Game Show Challenge and Clue for You:**

Field Day is games, games and more games. Take a break and get physical as you play Dare or Double Dare, Name that Tune, Who Wants to Be a Billionaire and more with Xtremefun. A series of games show challenges that will help you get to know each other and get active! Mix physical challenges with creative ones like improvisation,

dancing, singing or trivia mind-benders like worst-case race, puzzled or brainquest. The best part is – it's all in a gameshow format. Teams will challenge each other in a variety of categories for a chance at winning prizes. Even if you are not a contestant, all shows need an audience and you are sure to enjoy the games!

**Date: Friday, June 4. Time:** 11 am – 12 pm. **Location:** Balboa Park, International Cottages Stage

### **Free Family Field Day: Clue for You:**

Step in to a real life game of Clue as you work with your family to solve the case- The Case of the missing family Jewels. The Dimwit Family Jewels, now known as the Dimwit-Watson Family Jewels, once shown all over the world, have not been openly displayed to the public in over forty years. In honor of your special event, Lady Rose Dimwit Watson and her husband Waining have agreed to once again expose the jewels at a special viewing. It's an afternoon of sinister secrets and suspicious subtext, as an empty display case and a glass-shattering scream brings none other than the famous Detective Sherlock Holmes the 6th - of the backyard - to the party! It's breath taking baubles, a bumbling bookie and a bad case of indigestion. It's Elementary my dear Dr. Watson... It's Murder! A lunch mystery theatre presentation by professional actors where the audience is a part of the program and everyone is involved! Please bring your lunch to enjoy during the program. Fee: Free

Limited seating so be sure to pre-register your family team. **RSVP ASAP. Time:** 12-2 pm. **Location:** Balboa Park Club Ballroom

### **Knott's Soak City**

On **Friday, June 11**, start off your summer with a splash. There are slides of all kinds for all ages-speed slides, body slides, and tube slides. You can drift around the lazy river in an inner tube. Ride a raft on Pacific Spin or Coronado Express. Catch the surf at Balboa Bay in the wave pool. Height restrictions apply for some rides. Visit Gremmie Lagoon, Dick's Beach House or Tyke's Trough for younger kids play area and slides. Soak up the sun and enjoy the day with TLC families.

You can purchase a meal ticket for \$8 which includes all-you-can-eat hot dogs, hamburgers, fruit, chips and drinks at the event from 11 am – 1 pm. Extended units cannot be used to purchase food. The food tickets are also only valid on the day of our field trip. However, the waterpark tickets can be used throughout the 2010 season.

**Time:** 10 am – 6 pm. 9:30 am check-in. **Location:** 2052 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista, CA 91911.

**Fee:** \$18 per person. Additional fee for parking. RSVP by: Friday, May 28.

### **6th Grade Promotion**

**Thursday, June 3rd**, 1:30pm at Countryside Park in Otay Ranch. Please join us in celebrating our children moving up to junior high school. Cake and punch will be provided. Please bring a dessert to share. RSVP to Stephanie 619-250-2433 or [sassy01@cox.net](mailto:sassy01@cox.net) so that we can have certificates made for the kids. This is not a school sponsored event, but TLC would like to extend their appreciation to Chula Vista

parent Stephanie O'Connor for her hard work in planning this event.

### **Extended Class Reminders**

Please remember that the last day to submit Request for Payment or Reimbursement forms is **May 28, 2010**. All invoices must be received by the last day of school, **June 11, 2010**, or they will not be paid.

### **Lost Sunglasses?**

A pair of woman's sunglasses was found in La Mesa after Bunco Night. If you think they may be yours, email Cherokee at [ceddy@learningchoice.org](mailto:ceddy@learningchoice.org).

### **Housekeeping Reminders**

Before you leave for the summer, please make sure you return all your library books to your site. Check the lost and found for forgotten jackets, lunchboxes, and other personal items.

### **Ireland, Wales and England Spring of 2011 – Save \$100**

Sign up now and start saving for your trip of a lifetime; the longer you wait the more the price goes up so lock in your price today and sign-up. Cost is currently \$2,276.00 or 8 monthly payments of \$272.16 if you sign up today. See the itinerary for Ireland at [www.myexplorica.com](http://www.myexplorica.com) (tour center id: Gooding-3393). If you have further questions, please contact Debi @ [dgooding@learningchoice.org](mailto:dgooding@learningchoice.org)

### **Help TLC Earn Cash for Drink Pouches!**

Save your extra Capri Sun drink pouches and bring them to your TLC site. Our school gets money for each pouch we collect, and the pouches get made into awesome school gear, so bring them all! Thanks to La Mesa EP Cathy Kniss for heading up this effort.