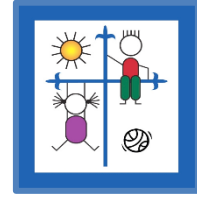




CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

BLOOMFIELD & GLEN RIDGE



May 2020

Dear Families,

I pray you are all safe and healthy. We have missed you all in these difficult days, and look forward to when we are able to fully open our school.

All of us at Christ Church are keeping up to date on the latest information from Governor Murphy's office and the office of our Bishop with regard to when, and how, we will be able to return to having our school re-opened. First and foremost in our minds and hearts are the safety of our children, their families, and our staff. We will endeavor to communicate information to you as it becomes available.

However, we must prepare for the future, and so we are moving forward with re-registration for the Fall, in the hope that we will be fully open by that time. Christ Church is profoundly aware of the substantial cost of childcare, and the impact of cost increases on our families, particularly in this uncertain economic time. I am sure all of you are equally aware of the financial impact this closure has had on both the school and the church.

As always, we do everything we can to keep our costs as low as possible. The church believes in the value of quality childcare, which is why a nursery school was created as a ministry in 1967, long before the rest of society supported the idea of this type of child education and care. We have always strived to keep tuition as low as possible by continually absorbing the rising costs of healthcare, property insurance, maintenance, energy, school supplies and more.

In addition to rising healthcare costs, raising of the minimum wage each year, and the expansion of the sick leave and family medical leave laws, the economic impact of this pandemic will be with us for some time. While we never want to unduly burden any of our families with tuition increases, particularly now, it has become necessary to raise our rates again this year. We understand that this can be a stressful decision, but please know that we do not make these decisions without thoughtful consideration.


We would like to remind you that as a parishioner of Christ Church you receive a 15% discount of your tuition. There is also a sibling discount available on full-time programs. If you refer a family to us and they enroll their child(ren), you will receive a \$100.00 credit toward your account. We also offer financial aid to families in need, that are supported through the outreach ministry of the church and direct donations from parishioners and school alumni.

This year, we ask you to submit your registration form online at www.nscnj.org/enrollment. The complete enrollment packet with tuition rates is available there as well for your review. When you submit your form you'll receive an email confirmation that we've received it, and we will bill you the re-registration fee if applicable. As a reminder, your registration is not complete until your registration fee is paid. Also note that we do need you to submit a withdrawal if your child is not returning next year.

Please submit your re-enrollment no later than Friday, June 5, so that we can begin to plan for each class, and to take into account any size restrictions that our state regulators may place on us. If because of state restrictions, re-registrations exceed any temporary maximum capacity, we will proceed on a first-come, first-served basis, so do submit your re-registration early.

If you have any questions, please contact school director Ms. Patrice Noyes at nscdir@gmail.com or finance director Mr. Bob Solon at finance@christchurhepiscopal.org, or at 973-743-7582. We thank you again for giving us the honor and opportunity to provide a loving, caring and educational environment for your child(ren). We hope to see you all soon. Stay safe and healthy.

Blessings,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Diana L. Wilcox". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and a distinct "t" at the end.

The Rev. Diana L. Wilcox
Rector
Christ Church in Bloomfield & Glen Ridge