



TWLS Tuesday Take Home January 26, 2010

Important

The Possible Dreams Luncheon Kick-off is this Saturday night at Steve and Susie Fry's, 4741 Emerson Avenue South in Minneapolis. Remember - the RSVP is regrets only - so right now we are planning on almost 100 percent attendance. YEA! If you need directions, please call Susie at 612-374-4959.

Reminder

Thank you to those who have returned their child's special person invitation information. We are teaching the social skill of invitations and would like to model appropriate time for sending and RSVP. If you have not done so already, PLEASE remember to send in your child's special person name and address this week. THANK YOU!

The Minnesota Independent School Forum (www.misf.org) has tax information specifically for families with students in private/nonpublic K-12 schools. Please consult your tax advisor with questions and a complete list of qualifying education expenses as you complete your 2009 tax returns. To learn more...view the PDF attachment or visit www.misf.org

January Calendar

19,21,26,28 school conferences

28 Orchestra Hall field trip "Sounds of Cinema" leave TWLS at 9am

30 **Possible Dreams Kick-Off ~ 7 p.m. at the home of Steve and Susie Fry. Watch for your invitation in the mail. Children are welcome. 100% turn out is our goal!**

February

5 Aug/Feb Birthday celebration(s)

3 Possible Dreams Tour ~ 11:00am

12 **Special Person Day (half day of school for students)**

15 No School Presidents Day

16 Possible Dreams Tour ~ 5:00pm

Parent Bulletin Board

From Kim Gallant ~

It is time to start planning for our 2nd annual Spring Spectacular. The Spring Spectacular is TWLS's version of a Prom. Students who are thirteen or older are invited for a wonderful evening of dinner, dancing, and tons of great fun and memories. If you did not sign up to help with prom on your volunteer sheet and you'd still like to help, please contact me. Otherwise, I will be connecting with those who have already expressed their interest in helping. There are many ways to volunteer on the committee.

- Music
- Limousine Transportation
- Decorations
- Girls Afternoon of Beauty
- Corsage/Boutonnière coordination
- Party Favors
- Fund Raising
- After Party

If you have any questions or you would like to join our Spring Spectacular committee please contact Kim Gallant at:

(952) 941-5329-home

(763) 231-2700-work

(612) 669-3354-cell

Skiing Program for kids with developmental disabilities ~ from Jess Peters

Hyland Stars is a program for children with developmental disabilities. Its focus will be on skill development and fun in a safe/controlled environment. Limited enrollment available.

Location

Hyland Lake Park Reserve Three Rivers Park District 763-694-7800 (Hyland Ski area) 763-559-6700 (general reservations)
ThreeRiversParks.org

Complete Schedule:

Mondays 2/1/2010, 2/8/2010, 2/15/2010, 2/22/2010, 3/1/2010, 3/8/2010

Restrictions & Fees:

Restricted to participants age 6 to 15.

The fee for this event is \$280.00 (taxes may apply).

Possible Dreams in Progress ~ from Julie Hoff

Weekly Highlights

Our Weekly Highlights series continues into its third week! Parents, if you're wondering what to ask your child about when they come home or what kinds of activities you can do with them to build their skills, our teachers have some insights for you. Every week, they post notes on what's been going on in their classrooms, and what you can do to get involved. So if you're curious, or if you know anyone who'd like to learn more about what TWLS classes are like, tell them to stop by the blog – www.twls.org/twls-talks.

Financial Planning for Special Needs

On February 23rd at TWLS, from 7-8pm, two friends of TWLS are hosting a seminar on financial planning for your special needs child. Maura Steblay, Licensed Parent Educator, MAEd and Melissa Morris, SpecialCare planner will speak on topics ranging from applying for benefits to the importance of letters of intent. The seminar is free, and all are welcome! Go to <http://www.twls.org/financial-planning-for-special-needs-children-feb-23rd-seminar/> for more information on the subjects to be covered. This is also a great opportunity to introduce others to TWLS. Please share the details on this important seminar with your community.