



## WEEKLY NOTES.

### From the Director's Desk

“As we let go of the machine models of work, we begin to step back and see ourselves in new ways, to appreciate our wholeness, and to design organizations that honor and make use of the totality of who we are.”  
-Margaret Wheatley

Therefore, we will not educate our children to pass tests, but rather to embrace and pass the tests of life!

I will send this weekly information sheet to you every Friday. Please let me know what information you would find helpful. I'll be highlighting various classrooms over the course of the school year and also let you know what is going on at TISA. I look forward to meeting every child and getting to know him/her. I'll be visiting classrooms beginning Day One to meet every child.

We are working diligently on our own learning, on aligning what we do across grade levels and expanding our curriculum. Teachers are spending this week discussing expectations, data analysis on our school report card, science training – including integration of arts – the new NMTEACH standards, and working in curriculum teams. The TISA staff has an amazing degree of knowledge in so many areas and I feel honored to be working with them.

We are also working to provide an environment for your child(ren) that will be aesthetically pleasing, safe, creative and fun. We currently lease four buildings, which brings some challenges, but also many opportunities for the children. As I stated in the article for Taos News, we will make “Roads” Scholars of ourselves. Many exciting possibilities await us as we begin this new school year.

We want you to stop by TISA and say hi to or meet your child's teacher for this year. It is important to us that we work collaboratively to ensure the optimum learning for your child(ren). To begin our collaboration, please plan to attend the Open House at both campuses from 4:30:5:30.

I've asked the teachers to end the Open House at 5:30 so that they have time to get home and have some dinner and hopefully a great night of rest. I'll thank you in advance for honoring their time. I look forward to seeing you on Tuesday.

Susan M. Germann, Director

## From the Office:

Welcome back parents and students!! We have many great plans in store for this year! We have a new Director who has many great ideas to bring back our Monday Enrichment program and our After Care program. We are still working out the details so we won't have these in place just yet. As always, I will send out more information through email as it becomes available! We have many new students joining us this year and some of them are in need of carpooling! I can think of a few parents from the Ranchos area that are in need of carpooling. If you are able to help out, please send me an email and I will get you in touch with those parents. Please remember to check your email daily as we send out updates often. If you are unable to reach the office by phone, please send an email to [Nicole@tisataos.com](mailto:Nicole@tisataos.com). Please refer to our website, [www.tisataos.com](http://www.tisataos.com) to view our calendar that is updated with Governing Council meeting dates, PTA monthly meetings, and school closings.

Please read the whole newsletter for important dates and times.



## This Month's Highlights

Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup>- Meet & Greet Teacher  
4:30-5:30 @ both campuses

Wednesday, August 14<sup>th</sup>- 1<sup>st</sup> Day of School!!

Wednesday, August 14<sup>th</sup>- Monthly GC Meeting.  
123 Manzanares St. 6:00-8:00

Tuesday, August 20<sup>th</sup>- Monthly PTA Meeting  
123 Manzanares St. starting at 4:15



## Reminders to Students

- Bring your snack, lunch, & water bottle
- Bring umbrella in case it rains
- Make sure you get enough rest for a great mornings start!
- Take all belongings home at the end of the day!

## Reminders to Parents

1. We do not have parking at either campus.
2. You are responsible for drop off and pick up at the allocated times.
3. Please call ahead to set up meetings with the Teachers and Director. Walk-ins will not be acceptable.
4. Let's have one awesome year!
5. Please keep your child(ren) home if they are sick. This is the best way to insure others do not get the virus.

## Class drop off/ pick up times:

TISA has a 4-day school week, Tue.-Fri.  
**\*\*No School on Monday's\*\***

**Kinder drop off: 8:15-8:30**  
**Class starts @ 8:30 and pick up is @ 3:30**

**1<sup>st</sup> Grade drop off: 8:00**  
**Class starts @ 8:15 and pick up is @ 3:30**

**2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grades drop off: 8:00**  
**Class starts @ 8:15 and pick up is @ 3:40**

**7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grades drop off: 7:50**  
**Class starts @ 8:00 and pick up is @ 4:00**

**Please do not be tardy, if you cannot avoid it, please make sure you call the office!!**

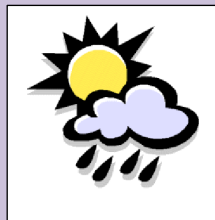
## PTA

Hello Tisa Families –

Hard to believe that the summer is winding down and we are back to school!!!!

The first PTA Meeting of the School Year will take place on Tuesday August 20<sup>th</sup> at 4:15 pm at the Manzanares Campus. This will be a short informational meeting to rally support for TISA PTA and elect new officers to organize and run the PTA for the 2013 / 2014 School Year.

The PTA was able to raise over \$7000 last year and gave each classroom \$800 that was used to buy art supplies for the current school year. TISA needs your help for our children to continue to learn and grow. This is a great opportunity to meet other parents as well as to help guide the PTA's goals for the future. Please make the effort to be involved, as a parent you will be more informed, and your child will benefit greatly!!!!



## Inclement Weather

TISA follows the public school closures. Please note that emails will not be sent out if we are having a two hour delay due to inclement weather. Please tune into your local radio station or TV. for school closures during the winter months.