

# TFS NEWS



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## NOUS SOMMES ALTRUISTES

**What does caring mean in your household? How do you show caring for each other?**

### PICTURE RETAKES

Friday is the day for retakes, (this should have gone out in an email to the school) we will start the French school at 11:00. The photographer will be bringing up flyers today for parents to fill out and return if they want a retake, or if their child was absent. If you want a retake, or did not get your photos, or have a question about the pictures, please contact Cori Nations at [nationscori@yahoo.com](mailto:nationscori@yahoo.com)

### School Advisory Committee

On Monday as promised, we sent home the voting ballots for the School Advisory Committee. There was a mistake on the ballot. Dahven Doctor's name was not transferred from the narrative side of the the ballot to the voting side. Please feel free to write her name in as your selection for the committee. I apologize for the error.

### SPAM

Somehow everyone on my address book received a SPAM email from me about some iPad offer. This was not sent by me, and I do not know exactly how this happened. Please disregard the message. It is ironic that a SPAM program has no trouble sending an email to all of my contacts considering the struggles I have had just getting my newsletter out to everyone!!

### SOCCER

There has been great interest in forming a soccer team at TFS. The cost for the team will be \$60.00 for an 8-week session. The coed teams will consist of 15 players with 7 players on the field at a time. There will be EQUAL playing time for all students.

We are working on a plan to use the multi-purpose room as a practice space after school on a day to be determined.



Games are played once a week in Heman Park in University City on Saturday or Sunday from January 7 to February 27.

All kids are required to wear shin guards and the same color shirt. If we have over 15 students interested, we can field more than one team. November 30 is the deadline for submission of team forms.

If you are interested please email [marvin@sllis.org](mailto:marvin@sllis.org). We will coordinate payment and form signings next week.

# Working together, learning together, and celebrating together makes the French School a great place to learn and grow.

## PEACE MUSEUM

The Gateway to Peace Museum is coming to SLLIS on Tuesday, Nov. 30. We need 20 volunteers in the morning and 20 in the afternoon, or fewer if you can stay all day. The shifts are from 8:15-12:00 (Spanish School attends Museum) and 12:00-3:00 (French School attends Museum). Volunteers will be trained to run an activity and will work with small groups of 4-5 children at that activity for 2-3 hours (depends on shift). The children will rotate to each activity every 5 minutes or so.

Here's some info from their web site, <http://www.gatewaytopeace.com/>: Gateway to Peace is a traveling museum that teaches concepts of peace to children in kindergarten through fifth grade and their families.

The Gateway to Peace Museum is dedicated to pursuing and promoting peace. Through example, training others in peacemaking skills and participatory learning experiences, it recognizes and encourages the uniqueness and worth of all people. An exploration into the possibilities of peace is accomplished by combining a variety of individual and facilitated activities, presentations, learning centers, communication and guidance training, and hands-on interactive exhibits for children of all ages and culture. We use over 40 exhibits (learning centers) to present the four aspects of peace.

If you would like to volunteer or would like more information, please contact Lisa Berman at [lisaberman@rocketmail.com](mailto:lisaberman@rocketmail.com) or 314-398-6839.

## Borders Book Fair Saturday December 4th.

Please make a point to visit Border's Books on Saturday December 4<sup>th</sup> for our SLLIS book fair. There will be teacher wish lists, guest story times in French, Spanish and English, and an opportunity to get a good start to your holiday shopping. Not only will this event result in a lot of book donations for the school, but the funds we raise have been "earmarked" the funds to support the SLLIS libraries and literacy at our school. We receive 15% profit of all purchases made during this event. So it is the teachers, and of course our children, who will most benefit from the successful outcome.

There will be a table displaying all of the books that teachers have selected. The fair lasts all day and families can shop at any time. We will need parent volunteers between 1 and 5pm. Furthermore, we believe that more books will be purchased. It is going to be a GREAT event.



## Creative Minds

## MUSIC LESSONS OPPORTUNITY

Today I had an exciting meeting with Kurt Baldwin from the department of music at UMSL. His program would like to begin a wonderful partnership with us. This will start with preparing his students to offer music lessons to interested students at school. We will begin with viola, violin, and cello lessons. This is a great age to begin to learn an instrument, and the Department of Music is excited to sponsor our students. Lessons will cost \$25.00 per 45 minutes. Instruments can be rented for reasonable rates around town. Please let me know if you are interested in this wonderful opportunity. His Arianna String Quartet will be coming to play for us in January.

Enjoy Beaujolais Nouveau Night!

Conrad

## IMPORTANT INFO

- Remember to get to school on time. We begin at 8:40.
- Formal days are Mondays in the French School.
- PLEASE put your child's name in all clothing. It all LOOKS the same.
- Results soon from the School Advisory Committee Elections.
- PLEASE no toys at school.

## IMPORTANT DATES

- 11/18 TFS Beaujolais Nouveau Evening 7-9
- 11/20 Forming our Futures Session 2 at SLLIS
- 11/24 Thanksgiving Holiday begins -No School
- 12-04 Borders Book Fair