



MESSAGE FROM the PRINCIPAL: 2012-2013

Dear Yearbook Reader,

Many of our students say, “I love coming to school!” I often hear parents describe TLS as “a great school,” and I have learned that many people think we are a great school for a variety of reasons.

As the schoolhouse is about to turn twelve, and evolves into a new decade of preschool education, I would like to take this opportunity in our Yearbook to highlight a few of those reasons.

Our philosophy makes us great! The developmentally appropriate play-based approach to learning at the preschool level encourages our student’s sense of exploration while fostering their growing sense of independence.

Our staff makes us great! The seven of us have worked in education at TLS for a combined total of more than fifty years. Through our own initiative we share expertise and collaborate our efforts as we strive to provide the best opportunities for our students.

Our students make us great!! This was evident as I watched the Kindergarten students reading aloud to the three and four –year-old students as part of our Shared Reading Program earlier this year. The eager readers were so proud of their progress while the younger listeners sat in admiration of what will be their future accomplishments.

Our community makes us great! This was proven in January of this year at our third annual Trike-a-thon, when all students and many parents supported the event. Through active sponsorship the strength of our community was demonstrated as more than \$3,000 was raised. Thanks to part of these proceeds, the children are now enjoying a new climbing feature called Gus who presides over the play yard and will be enjoyed for many years to come. If Gus’ colorful smiling face isn’t enough to make you grin, then the way he is festooned with children every day should.

Our vision makes us great! It is our collective vision that outstanding education is essential. We have personalized the nature of preschool



teaching so that each student will achieve his maximum potential. The reasonable class size and attention to individual learning styles has proven beneficial with so many of our students.

Looking forward, we inspire happiness in our students who set forth as lifelong learners. We are indeed a great preschool!

Most sincerely,

Kara Nottage

Principal