



March 3, 2011

First Grade is Celebrating America! They made these colorful flag shirts this week.



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**NO CELL PHONES, PLEASE!!!!!!**

We have had several “near misses” in our parking lot, due to inattentiveness. This is unacceptable and we will NOT allow any parent to enter our parking lot who is using a cell phone. The Board of Directors is serious about this, and there will be no exceptions. Be sure your phone is put away before you are dropping off your child at St. Thomas. The same goes for pick up times. Safety first!

**FLOWER ORDERS DUE TOMORROW-FRIDAY MARCH 4**

Don't forget to order your spring flowers by tomorrow, March 4<sup>th</sup>. Call the office or tell your child's teacher. We order these every Spring for our families, and the quality of the flowers are excellent! **Geraniums, petunias, marigolds, periwinkles, and beautiful hanging baskets!** If you don't have an order form, just call me in the school office at 696-1728.



**DATES TO REMEMBER:**

March 4: Flower Orders Due

March 8: Class Picture Day: (just for our T Th Beginners' Class)

March 9: Class Picture Day: *Every class*

March 9: ASH WEDNESDAY: Remember that all parents are invited to join us for Chapel for a very special service at 9:00 a.m.

March 11: **Contracts are Due. Very Important!** If you have not turned in your child's contract for next school year by Friday March 11, you will lose the spot in that class! We have children on the waiting lists and they will be offered any vacant spots.

March 14 - 18: Spring Break Week/No School

March 21: Parenting Workshop: "Nature Explore Club for Families"

April 7: "An Enchanted Evening—ELC Style" (see more on the 2<sup>nd</sup> page)

April 9: SPRING FESTIVAL!!



## An Enchanted Evening - ELC style!

*-Think of it as Spring Festival for adults -*

**Benefit:** An opportunity to support St. Thomas Early Learning Center based partly on a wish list of needs for our school.

**When:** Thursday April 7, 2011

7:00pm - 10:00pm

**Where:** Home of Ann & Mark Turgeon  
4916 Whistling Straits  
College Station 77845

**Cost:** \$50/ticket

**Hosts:**

Robin & Hays Glover

Sally & Todd Matthews

Angie & Barry Solcher

Ann & Mark Turgeon

Valerie & David Woodcock



*St. Thomas Early Learning Center* is a gentle school where respect and caring for others is our rule for every day.

Thank you for allowing us to teach your children and spend our lives listening to their feelings and watching their curiosity through exploration.

We teach, we participate, we hug, we sing, we dance, we laugh, we listen, we observe, we redirect, we respect, we love.....

The Teachers & Staff of St. Thomas ELC

### Forgiven and Forgiving

by William Countryman

Come join Reverend Rhoda on Wednesdays, April 6, 13, 20<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 for a Lenten Book Study. Books are \$10 and available in the church office.

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### Head of School Search: Leadership Opportunity

The Board of Directors for St. Thomas Early Learning Center has now begun a search for a permanent Head of School. Go to our school website under "Forms & Publications" to see the Head of School Profile.



What can you make with 9 pinecones, 11 seashells, and 3 sticks?

