

November 12, 2015

Dear Friends of Grace Church School,

Every fall, I am reminded of the kindness and graciousness of our community. The new Twos and Threes families are always warmly welcomed to GCS. This year, we also opened our doors to several new staff members, including our incomparable new Director, Amy Morgano. Your thoughtfulness has quickly made them feel a part of Grace.

As parents, we value the many opportunities to strengthen our ties to one another through parents' night, during drop-off and pick-up, at potluck dinners and at volunteer meetings. Our children are building relationships, too, with their teachers and with one another. They feel a sense of belonging in their classrooms. They are learning to share, and to listen, and to be a friend.

This year, our annual giving campaign will focus on enhancements to our children's outdoor experience. New equipment on the rooftop will present opportunities for pretend play and enable children to build confidence and strengthen gross-motor skills. A newly renovated children's garden will provide a place of wonder for exploration and learning about the natural world. With your generosity, we will be afforded the ability to reimagine our playground and garden in a way that will offer our children more choice and possibility in play.

Especially during this season of thanks, we are appreciative for the warm embrace of Grace Church School.

On behalf of the Advisory Board and with much gratitude,

Olivia Poor

President, Friends of Grace Church School