

White Wing Annual Report FY2010-11

White Wing School Board is made up of church members and friends of the White Wing School. This years members include Kate O'Shea (Chair), Amy Savoie (Vice-Chair), Amy Snedaker (Secretary), Joyce Bedard (Treasurer), Victoria Agnew, Sarah Belanger, Gillian Hinkle, David Hudson, Michelle Lanier and Mary Markel. Deb Castonguay serves as the director of White Wing School.

White Wing School is a non-sectarian, non-profit preschool and kindergarten offering programs for children from two year olds to six. We offer a developmentally based curriculum, and our program is accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).

White Wing School enrolls up to 94 students and employs 7 teachers, our Office Manager, Kim Coumas and our Director, Deb Castonguay.

White Wing School Board would like to thank all the volunteers who have helped make this year so successful. Sarah Widhu helped sort and organize the books in the new library. Carol Lasselle for helping make our earth day celebration so much fun; kids love worms! Jenn Morton and all members of the Property Committee for maintaining the building and property. Mike Wilt for keeping us online and connected and running our payroll. The White Wing School volunteer parent group, PAWWS, for organizing fundraising and social activities. The UU Executive Team including Sherri Woolsey and Sandy Martinage for always being there for us. The WW parent volunteers and staff that helped paint the wonderful designs on the playground parking lot. And all the other parents, grandparents, church members and friends that help makes White Wing so successful.

White Wing School began a new fundraising campaign to develop a school library. The library will be available to both White Wing Students and UU Church Members. White Wing was awarded a grant from the Ella Anderson Foundation in the amount of \$1,750. The funds were used to purchase library shelving, upgrade computers and additional items to furnish and decorate the library. The grand opening celebration of the library is planned for next fall and is located in rooms 9 and 10 in the RE Wing.

We launched two new programs last year: the two-year old program and summer camp, which have been a great success.

Next year, White Wing will offer a half-day kindergarten option with students dismissing from the extended day program at 11:30 during a natural transition time.

The Donna Purkhiser Scholarship Fund has been moved to a separate committee for purposes of full financial transparency and student confidentiality.

This year White Wing staff and students said goodbye to the beautiful tree that has graced our playground for 51 years.

The White Wing School Board is looking forward to the next school year and all the challenges and success stories that it will bring. Thank you to outgoing members for their many years of service - Kate O'Shea (Chair), Amy Snedaker (Secretary), Joyce Bedard (Treasurer), Victoria Agnew and David Hudson. Board Positions for FY2011-12 – Amy Savoie (Chair) and Gillian Hinkle (Treasurer).