



February, 2010

Dear Friends,

We hope you will consider making a tax-deductible donation to the eighth annual Children's Day School Fiesta — our community celebration and benefit auction to be held on Saturday, March 27, 2010. Generous support from businesses and friends has greatly contributed to the success of this event each of the past seven years, and all proceeds from this year's event will go directly to sliding scale tuition.

CDS devotes 24% of its operating income to sliding scale tuition. Forty percent of our students pay tuition on a sliding scale, and many more could benefit from a Children's Day School education if more sliding scale money were available.

Children's Day School is located across the street from Mission Dolores on a spacious, historic campus complete with a farm and garden where the children help care for organic vegetables, two beloved sheep and four chickens. CDS provides children with a vigorous academic program which is project-based, integrated across scholastic disciplines and grounded in the concept of social responsibility. Our curriculum features Spanish, environmental education, arts and music. This year, 315 students attend CDS from preschool through eighth grade, and this spring the CDS community will proudly celebrate our fourth middle school graduation.

We expect approximately four hundred guests to attend our auction and purchase items donated by businesses, friends and families. If you have any questions regarding CDS or Fiesta 2010, please feel free to contact parent volunteers: Shermalee Nicholson Guillen at (415) 796-2234 or Andrea Reynolds at (415) 860-7556.

On behalf of the kids at Children's Day School, their families, the teachers and administrators and the volunteer auction planners, thank you very much for your support.

Sincerely,

Rick Ackerly
Head of School

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