



Dear Aldrich Families,

We write today to request your support for the Aldrich Memorial Nursery School carnival, to be held on **Saturday, May 5, 2012**. The proceeds will serve the goal of supporting financial aid at our school and are expected to provide the bulk of dollars raised through parent-led efforts this year.

We would like to invite you to participate in our Silent Auction/Raffle this year. Some families may be able to offer services, others may be able to donate items, some can contribute cash, some may contribute passion, ideas, and time. We welcome all types of contributions. Donations of services and items will be placed in either our raffle or be a part of the silent auction. Cash donations will be used to sponsor rooms or to purchase “big” items for the raffle.

### **Possible Donation Ideas**

- Items – artwork, photography, artisan jewelry, a hand-knit sweater, a gift basket, a bottle or two of your favorite wines...
- Professional services – legal, computer, financial, architectural, interior or landscape design, auto body work, home repair, personal organizing...
- Tickets – to sporting events, concerts...
- Lessons – art, dance, music, yoga, pilates, personal training

### **Still looking for more ideas...**

What about a cookie of the month club? Bake a batch of your fabulous cookies and deliver them for 3 months?

How about teaming up with a friend and organizing a dinner party? You supply the menu, cook, and do the dishes.

Are you a knitter? Host an evening to teach a group how to knit.

Do you love to scrapbook? You could donate your time and supplies and put together a book for someone.

The ideas are unlimited. Your creativity will benefit the children of Aldrich. Please consider making a donation that best suits you!

Please visit our website to download a copy of the donation form or use the form on the back.

Thank you for your support,

Aldrich Board of Directors

\*Please note: In the past families were invited to donate items for “classroom-themed baskets” for the Silent Auction. For the 2012 carnival, we are trying something different and will not be asking for families to donate to these themed baskets.