

## Mission Bell's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Trike a Thon

When: Thursday, November 3, 2011 @ 10:00 AM Preschool  
Class

When: Friday, November 4, 2011 @ 10:00  
AM Pre-K Class

Friday, November 4, 2011 @ 1:30  
PM Pre-K Class

Come cheer us on as we raise funds for the Get on the Bus  
Ministry, The Painted Turtle Camp, and Mission Bell Preschool

Mission Bell will be hosting its 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Tricycle-a-thon! This event is to raise much needed money for a couple of great organizations. The first is called Get on the Bus. This organization raises money for children whose parents are incarcerated. Your pledges will bring children and their mothers and fathers together one day out of the year. "Get on the Bus" offers free transportation for the children and their caregivers to the prison, provides travel bags for the children, comfort care bags for the caregivers, a photo of each child with his or her parent, and meals for the day (breakfast, snacks on the bus, lunch while visiting, and dinner on the way home) - all at no cost to the children's family. We invite you to share in our enthusiasm as we open our hearts in helping these families. Their Not-for-Profit Tax ID # is: 68-0547196. For a closer look we invite you to log on to their web site: [www.getonthebus.us/](http://www.getonthebus.us/).

The second organization is called The Painted Turtle, a Hole in the Wall Camp. It is an innovative camp and family care center for children with life-threatening illnesses. The Painted Turtle seeks to reach beyond illness, to inspire children with life-threatening diseases to become their greater selves. It is their mission to provide a year-round, life-changing environment for these children and their families – one that allows children to participate in an authentic camp experience by supporting their medical needs and offers their families care, education and respite. Contributions are tax-deductible. The Painted Turtle is a U.S. 501 © (3) tax-exempt organization. For more information you can go [www.thepaintedturtle.org](http://www.thepaintedturtle.org)

And finally Mission Bell has a wish list of its own. One of our custodians is very talented in the field of carpentry. We have asked him to make a number of items, the first of which he has already completed. A wooden box for our wooden blocks! He designed it to be very preschool friendly and the children have enjoyed pushing it from one area to another. Upon looking these items up in various catalogs like Discount School Supplies, Lakeshore and the like, we determined that to fairly compensate him, Mission Bell is happily taking on the responsibility of being billed for the materials and his time. All of which come at a great discount!

