

Footprints

Monthly Newsletter

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Welcome to Footprints, the monthly newsletter published by Titus 2 Academy. Here you will find important updates and information about our school and homeschooling in Tennessee, insightful guidance in **From the Owl's Desk**, student activities and features in **Owls in Action**, and sage advice and stories in **Words of Wisdom**. In **Around the Nest**, our fine feathered friend, Einstein, will guide you through Q&As and help you with G.A.P., our Grades, Attendance, and Portfolio site.

Around the Nest

We are so thankful for our new families and we will do our very best to not only meet your needs but bless your lives



as well. This month we want to draw your attention to the G.A.P. Academic Portal. If you haven't done so already, please get the GAP App on your phone. It's so EASY! On the Titus 2 Academy Home page, click on G.A.P. Login.

Scroll down to the instructions for how to add the app to your phone. Your phone may be a little different, but when you are on that page with your iPhone, you can click on the Share or Upload button (box with the arrow pointing up in the middle bottom of the screen) and then select Add to Home Screen. On an Android, you'll click on the 3 dots in the top right corner.

We use the app all the time – once you've logged in, you can click on Family Login and it takes you directly to the Portal, where you can read previous Footprints Newsletters, view the Welcome Letter, the updated Family Handbook, Important Forms (including the Proof of Enrollment and Teacher Verification, Proof of Enrollment for Work and Sports, DL forms), ID cards, and Homeschool Resources. You will also see the RED buttons, where you can request a transcript and make portfolio entries for your high schooler.

You will not need to submit attendance or grades until January, after the fall semester. Please click on the ORANGE Contact Counselor button if you need help or have questions. We're here to help!!

Einstein wants you to check out all the new things we've added in the **"Forms You May Need"** section of our new Homeschool Resources area. Here are some of the new forms that you can use:

Previous Coursework & Grades Form

Optional forms under High School Planning -Roadmap to Graduation

Record Keeping Forms & Tools - Lots of optional forms here that you can use if you want and even upload to your student's file. SO MANY TOOLS!!! Please see if there is anything that will help you stay organized, but do not feel that you are expected or required to use any of these.

Daily Fall and Spring Attendance forms are available here, too - even though parents only report grades and attendance to the school twice a year, these are forms for you to keep track of attendance if you want to use them.

A little Footprints shout-out

If you like the website and the G.A.P., how about giving Amber a huge Shout Out for designing it as well as working pretty much round the clock these days keeping everything running smoothly!

- You can send your words of appreciation to her at info@titus2academy.com. It will brighten her day!!

And a big THANK YOU to those of you who have reached out with beautiful expressions of gratitude - it means more than you know!



Owls in Action

“Unlike many birds, the owl does not rely on speed or spectacle. It waits, observes, and acts with purpose. For this reason, owl symbolism is often associated with quiet confidence, patience, and the wisdom that comes from experience rather than impulse. An owl reminds us that we do not always need to have all the answers immediately; sometimes wisdom comes from pausing, observing, and trusting our instincts. {“Whoever is patient has great understanding, but one who is quick-tempered displays folly.” – Proverbs 14:29, “Listen to advice and accept discipline, and at the end, you will be counted among the wise.” – Proverbs 19:20}

BIBLE VERSE OF THE MONTH – Deuteronomy 11:13-15

¹³ So if you faithfully obey the commands I am giving you today—to love the LORD your God and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul— ¹⁴ then I will send rain on your land in its season, both autumn and spring rains, so that you may gather in your grain, new wine and olive oil. ¹⁵ I will provide grass in the fields for your cattle, and you will eat and be satisfied.

What do we have to do to reap the benefits of the fall and spring rains and gather the harvest? Read the verse again and discuss it with your family.

GET INTO THE ACTION!

Owls in Action is a place for our students to be part of Footprints. Try one of this month’s activities, or send us something you would like to see featured in a future issue.

LITTLE OWLETS

Draw your favorite owl, make a nature collage, share a favorite book, or send a photo of something fun you learned this month.

BRANCHING OUT

Send a photo of a project, experiment, field trip, hobby, artwork, book review, funny homeschool moment, or something new you learned.

READY TO FLY

Share student writing, volunteer work, a job or business project, dual-enrollment news, an achievement, a goal you are working toward, or advice for younger students.

Ideas for Future Footprints

Students can also submit artwork, poems, short stories, recipes, jokes or riddles, photos of projects, “how I learned it” tips, favorite resources, questions for Einstein, or a short note about something they are proud of. Parent permission should accompany student submissions and photos.

Here’s a picture that Einstein wants to share with you! He made it all by himself (well, mostly!) using paint and sponges. And he made up a poem to go with it.



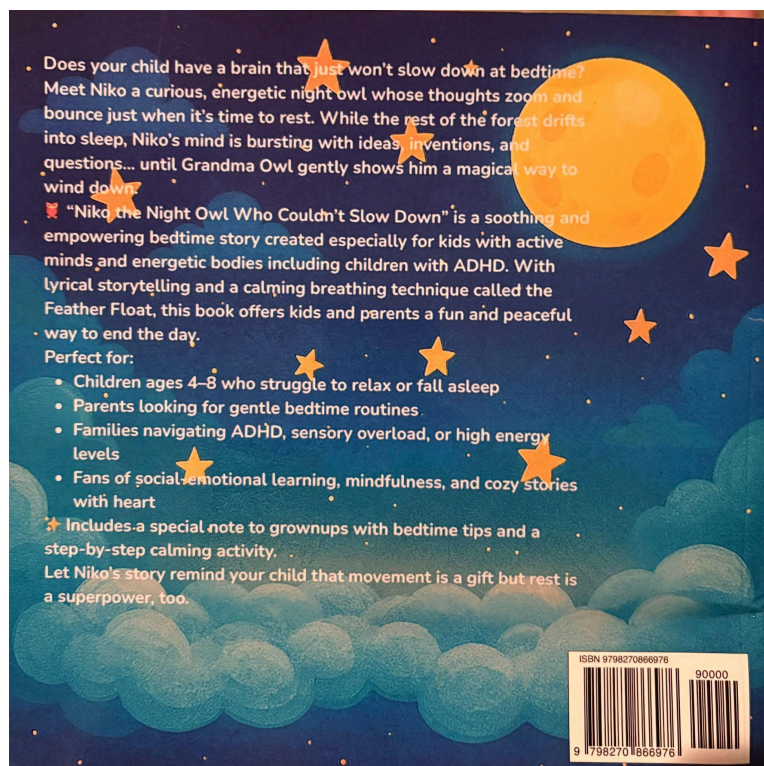
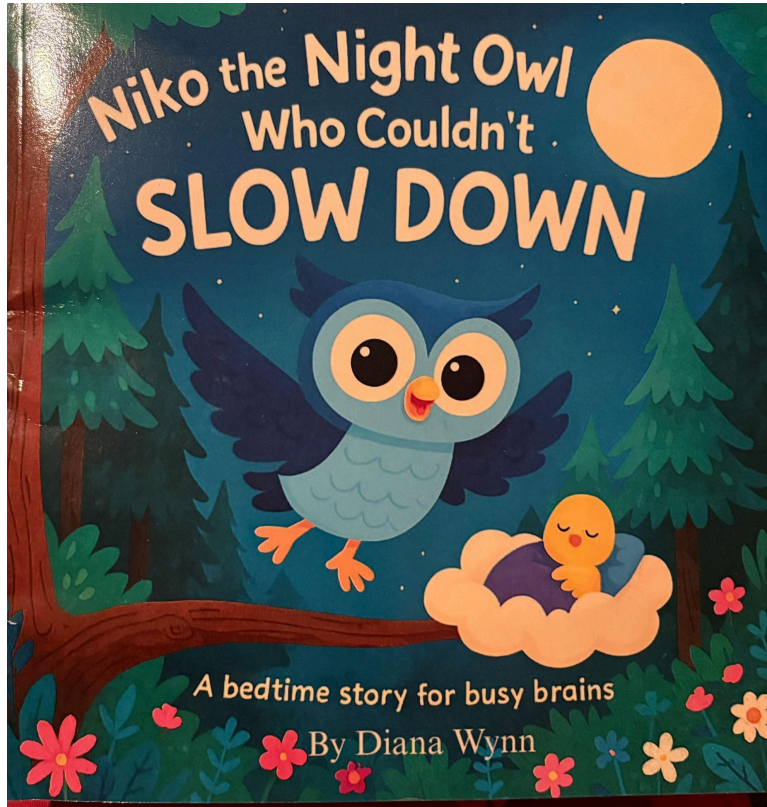
FALL, FALL, FALL

There are many leaves in fall.

In winter there are no leaves at all!

THE END

The Book Nook Have you got a favorite book to share? Here's one that we've been reading to Einstein at night and it might help your little ones unwind at the end of a busy day as well.





Here's a page for you to color and send to us - Einstein will LOVE to see all your beautiful pictures of himself!!! Yes, he knows he's cute!!!

From the Owl's Desk



LISTEN-UP PARENTS!

BE SURE TO LOOK FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION, DEADLINES, AND EVENTS, IN THE WEEKLY T2A UPDATES THAT ARE EMAILED TO YOU EACH WEEK! Please let us know if you are not getting these in your inbox (check your spam folder first). This month we've been sharing important information and deadlines for our high schoolers, because fall is the time they are applying to colleges, registering for the CLT, ACT, AND SAT, and the PSAT.

Homeschooling has never been so easy! At Titus 2 Academy, you have access to four of the most knowledgeable counselors in the world! Each one brings her own unique wisdom, talents, and personality to help YOU in YOUR homeschooling journey. Please visit our website to learn more about each of our four counselors – titus2academy.com.

THINGS TO REMEMBER when registering for the CLT, ACT and SAT - Titus 2 Academy students will enter our school CEEB code **282993** when taking the SAT, ACT, or CLT so that their scores will be sent to **Titus 2 Academy**.

NOTE: The ACT has not updated their list of schools since May 2026, so Titus 2 Academy is not in their list. Our students may have to register with ACT as a **homeschooler** until they update their list- code **969-999**.

Parents will then need to send those scores to the school through the info@titus2academy.com email or upload in GAP to the student's folder.

We have a fantastic article by our very own Pat Wesolowski that you will definitely want to read if you have high schoolers. Here's the link - [Is Testing Really That Important?](#)

Here's a YouTube video series that Pat did on how to raise up capable, confident adults. It's 9 short videos.

[What I Learned Homeschooling 9 Children - Parts 1-9](#)

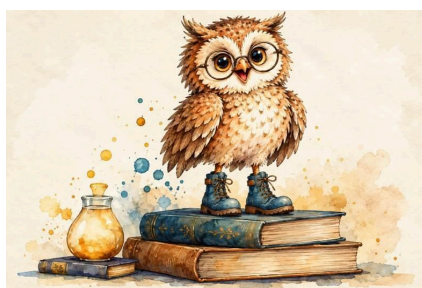


Words of Wisdom

This month we have some exciting news! We will be offering a “**Book of the Week Club**” to our families, with the proceeds going to the Words of Wisdom scholarship fund. Here’s the way it works: Every week participating families will receive a digital copy of one of Einstein’s Letter Books - the first one is “Einstein Learns All About the Letter A.” The cost is quite affordable - \$1.00/week for the book and daily lesson plans, or \$26 for 26 books and lesson plans, one per week. . These books are designed for children 3-6 years old who do not know how to read. It’s basically how I (Lani) taught my daughter to read without a phonics program (because she told me she wanted to learn how to read, but did NOT want to do phonics). I guess that’s the disadvantage, or maybe advantage, of watching two older siblings do Phonics every day. You can sign up by emailing us at info@titus2academy.com.

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EINSTEIN LEARNS ALL ABOUT THE LETTER A



How to Support Words of Wisdom Family Ministry

Please read our June and July Footprints Newsletters (on our website) for more information about Words of Wisdom Family Ministry. Home - Titus 2 Academy. We will have our first book in our Words Of Wisdom Legacy Series out by the Spring. It’s a book about Mary Hood, our first legacy mom. The scholarship(s) we present to one or more graduating homeschool seniors will honor her contributions to the early homeschooling community and bear her name - The Mary Hood Legacy Scholarship.

Here's a paragraph from the 2nd chapter of Mary's book:

In the early 1980s, Mary Hood stood at a crossroads that would define her family's future and her own legacy as a pioneer in home education. The decision to homeschool was not born out of ideology, but out of a mother's attentive observation and deep concern for her child's well-being. When her oldest son was due to enter first grade, Mary Hood noticed he was already reading at a very high level, yet he was "not really ready for the sit-down, be quiet type of classroom environment." This realization sparked a journey that would challenge conventions and reshape her family's life.

You can now donate to Words of Wisdom Family Ministry/Titus 2 Academy by simply scanning this QR code. All donations, unless you tell us otherwise, will be put in the scholarship fund.



[Donate Now](#)

If you shop at Kroger, please consider supporting Words of Wisdom Family Ministry through the Kroger Community Rewards Program.

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Complete instructions are available at [Kroger.pdf](#).

On the Horizon

For more information about the Set Free to Homeschool workshop day on Nov. 7th, please visit our website: [Homeschool Information Hub - Titus 2 Academy](#)

SET FREE

TO

HOMESCHOOL

A Homeschool Workshop

Whether you're new to homeschooling, have been homeschooling for several years, or considering it, this workshop is for you! Join us as we share experiences, offer encouragement, and help you homeschool with confidence.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2026

10AM - 4PM

ENCHANTED SPRINGS AT GORDON FARMS
1792 BLACKBURN LANE
SPRING HILL, TN

ENCHANTED SPRINGS
GORDON FARMS

SHAPE

MUSIC
Overture
ACADEMY

HOMESCHOOL COUNSELING TEAM

Listening, Understanding, Guiding, Advising.

The Traveling Tutorial

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