

# Children's Center Chronicle

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## Message from Maddy

**Summer is here!!** Bring your hat, sunglasses, sun screen and a comfortable pair of shoes. Flip flops are not considered safe shoes for school because they can cause children to slip and fall during active play. In the days and months ahead there will be opportunities for water play, so please check your child's cubby and make sure an extra change of clothes is available. Chances are, if your child does not have a change of clothing, when needed, you will get a call, to bring a change of clothing, which may not be convenient.

A special **"THANK YOU!"** to our wonderful families for setting up, providing the special food and decorations for the Teacher Appreciation Luncheon that was on Thursday, May 9. The staff and I feel very blessed to have such thoughtful families in our program, who were willing to give of their time and talent to provide such a fun, enjoyable, and memorable event.

**Family Surveys have gone out.** Please return your survey by Tuesday, **June 11.** The surveys provide us with information regarding what you, our families, think about our program and how we can improve it. I look forward to reviewing the surveys and sharing the information with you in the July newsletter.

**Mark your calendar for Thursday, June 13.** It will be a very busy day! First we will celebrate the end of our school year by having a **Pot Luck and Pajama Party** There will be no need for your child to bring his/her lunch to school that day. Second, it is a **Minimum Day**, which means school will be **closed at noon.** Third, we will be hosting our **"Promotion Program"**, at 6:30 PM, in the Sanctuary. We will be celebrating the children's promotion to their next classroom and/or on to kindergarten with singing, clapping, and laughter. Following the ceremony, there will be a reception in Criswell Hall. Please look for the **"Refreshment Sign up Sheet"**, to help bring treats to share that night.

**"Week Of Welcome"** will be **June 17-21.** New and existing children will visit their new classrooms during this week, to prepare them for the new school year, that will start Monday, July 1. If you see a new face, take a moment and introduce yourself and welcome them to the AGUMCC family.

### The Story of a \$1 at AGUMCC

#### Where does AGUMCC get a dollar?

- .90 comes from tuition
- .06 comes from fundraising
- .04 comes from donations



#### How does AGUMCC spend a dollar?

- .85 is spent on staff, taxes, and insurance
- .10 is spent on operations: facilities, utilities, and janitorial
- .05 is spent on supplies, materials and equipment for the classrooms and office.

## A SPECIAL THANK YOU !!

The 4th Annual AGUMCC Golf Tournament was a great success. We had 11 teams with 4 of them school teams; SRB Marketing, Urgent Care of Pismo Beach, Five Cities Pediatric, and a Pre K Team.

Thank you to the special volunteers that gave of their time to help with the event.; the Cotta Family, Rachele Gaalswyk, Shirley Fujino, Jamie Robertson, Michele Toroian, Nancy St. Laurent, and Susan Thronson.

**THE EVENT RAISED \$4539.70!!!!**

## DATES TO REMEMBER

- Friday, June 7 - **STAFF DEVELOPMENT.** School closes at 3:30
- Wednesday, June 11 - **FAMILY SURVEYS ARE DUE**
- Thursday, June 13 - **SCHOOL IS CLOSED AT 12:00 FOR THE END OF THE YEAR CELEBRATION**  
**THIS WILL INCLUDE A PAJAMA PARTY DAY AND A POT LUCK LUNCH AT 12:00**
- Thursday, June 13 - **AGUMCC PROMOTION PROGRAM** at 6:30 PM, in the Church Sanctuary. A reception will be in Criswell Hall.
- Friday, June 14 - **SCHOOL IS CLOSED FOR STAFF DEVELOPMENT**
- Monday, June 17 - Friday, June 21 - **"WEEK OF WELCOME"** for new and existing families. We will be open our normal business hours.
- Monday, June 24 - Friday June 28 - **SCHOOL IS CLOSED FOR SUMMER BREAK.**
- Monday, July 1 - **2019-2020 SCHOOL SESSION BEGINS** \*ALL CHILDREN NEED TO BE AT SCHOOL BY 9:00 AM.

## AGUMCC WISH LIST BOARD

If you see something on the Wish List Board (located in the entrance way, above the rocking chair) that you can help us with, please take the posted note off the board and return

### Ms. Rebecca's and Ms. Mary's Pre-K Class

I cannot believe the school year is ending for our Pre-K class! We want to wish them happiness and joy on their next adventure. We have been getting ready for the promotion program, practicing our songs and practicing our on stage performance. We would like to invite everyone to the promotion; grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, and all, so that they can be a part of this very special time. Finally we look forward to the "Week of Welcome" and the start of getting to know our next group of Pre-K students.

~Ms. Rebecca

### Ms. Daphne and Ms. Maddy's Preschool Class

We will miss May with all the exploration, learning, and experiences we've had with our study of rocks, fossils, and bugs. We learned about different types of rocks and how fossils are made. During art we made fossils, rock sculptures, and even painted rocks. The children enjoyed the new grass that the school put at the end April. Also the weather brought out lots of bugs and lots of snails that the children have spent time collecting. We look forward to what the children will be interested to learn about in

June. We will also learn about Self Control, review colors, numbers 0-10, and letters 'A'-'Z'. We continue to have our minutes of quiet time during the week as the children request it. It seems to help the children maintain a more peaceful day. It is hard to believe that our time with this group is coming to a close.

We will miss having them in our group yet trust that they will have a great time being part of the new Pre-K group.

~ Ms. Daphne

### Ms. Shirley and Mrs. Swati's Toddlers

Spring is in the air, and the children are enjoying the change in weather. In May we observed the life cycle of the caterpillars to butterflies. They had fun letting the butterflies come out of their habitat. In the courtyard we had a snail habitat that struck their attention. They

watched the snails crawl around and some even held them. We enjoyed watching them make snail trails across paper, too. Swati and I wanted to thank you for the many kind gifts and cards you so thoughtfully gave to us for Teacher Appreciation week. We truly are thankful for all your caring. In June we will be having a lot of water play outside and inside. Watering plants, washing toys, and playing at water tables with boats and water wheels. We will be talking about going to the beach and what we might see there. The children will be getting ready to transition into their new classroom, as well. We have been so blessed to have your children in our class. They have touched our lives in such a special way. We want to thank all of you for your generosity and thoughtfulness in helping to make this year such a successful one. In Gods Love,

~Ms. Shirley

### Cindy Bo's Young Toddlers

Last month, the Young Toddlers really enjoyed talking about their moms and making the connection between others and their moms. I plan to spend time focused on dads, this month, and I'm sure they will enjoy making those connections as well. We will continue to observe, explore and discover more about the various garden critters that the children have been finding in our play yards. They have shown great interest in them. There have been many activities involving snails, including collecting them for our "Snail Habitats", sorting them out, watching them move and using them to paint trails on paper, after dipping them in watercolors. This is our last month together as a "Young Toddler Group". They will soon be moving on to their new classroom and I will miss my special time with them! It has been a joy to join with you, in helping to foster their growth and development, over this past year and it is exciting to think about how much they will continue this process. I truly appreciate the privilege I've had to be part of you and your children's lives! Thank you and God bless!

~Cindy Bo

## BIBLE STORY & GOODIE BEAR TIME

We will read "Mary and Martha", from Luke 10:38-42, in the Beginning Bible. "Goodie Bear" will share a "Fruit of the Spirit" teaching on "Self Control". Ask your child about this wonderful time we will be shar-

