

Arroyo Grande United Methodist Children's Center www.worshipweekly.com May 2022

Message From Ms. Maddy

Thank you to all the families staying with us for the 2022-2023 Session that starts Tuesday, July 5, 2022. Tell others that AGUMCC has openings in our Preschool and TK Classes for this 2022-2023. If you know someone who desires and needs quality child care, please tell them about us. Children who enroll now will be ensured a spot in the next session beginning in July.



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NATIONAL TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK IS MAY 2-6, 2022.

If you and your child would like to complete the attached THANK YOU NOTE, I will be making THANK YOU booklets for each staff member. (If there is a parent or parents that would like to help with this special project, let me know. I will have a collection box outside on the circle table for you to drop off your THANK YOU NOTE(s). If you need more copies of the attached THANK YOU, extras will be in the collection box. Please, return your THANK YOU(s) by Thursday, May 5, 2022.

Thank you to those who came to help at our Beautification Day: John Diaz, Jon Statements, James Wietkamp, Bob Underwood, Dick Melsheimer, Victoria Quaglino, and Ms. Mary, The new woodchips look great and so do the gardens with everyone's help. We have tomatoes, strawberries, and beautiful flowers blooming and growing.



Ms. Elvia and Ms. Rebecca's TK Class

April has flown by, and we are only 8 weeks away from graduation and transitioning from preschool to kindergarten. Thank you for participating in parent-teacher conferences. We enjoyed talking with you about your child's accomplishments and readiness for kindergarten. I hope you all enjoyed our art auction item, and congratulations to the one who won this very special that all the children took great pride in creating. I hope it brings years of joy and happy memories of your child's time in Preschool. For May, we will be learning our graduation songs and having lots of reviewing of our cognitive skills and social-emotional skills.

Thank you, and Happy May!!! ~Ms. Rebecca

Ms. Swati and Ms. Elizabeth's Preschool Class

We can almost feel Summer...it's unbelievable that it's already May! I would like to start with an extra special Thank You to all of our families for supporting Open House and The Children's Center Art Show. We had a wonderful time learning about Andy Warhol and being inspired to make our own art as a class. We enjoyed visiting with our Preschool families and sharing our classroom home with you. It was also a great joy to see the families join Arroyo Grande United Methodist Church for our once again Annual Ice Cream Social.

This month we begin a new "signing in" procedure as the children come to class. Here they will trace their names on the class list to practice going to the big kid classroom. We have already started looking to the next school year beginning July 5th as we plan our classroom. 🅼 Thank you to the families who registered for another exciting year at AGUMCC and will be moving on to the TK class with Ms. Rebecca and Ms. Elvia.

In April we planted pumpkins seeds in soil and flower seeds in baggies. We eagerly awaited as our plants grew to seedlings and flowered this month. The children have also shown special interest in bugs, especially as our wall of flowers blooms and attracts caterpillars. We will also be reviewing the life cycle of the butterfly this month. The children have inquisitive scientific



minds and are interested in our natuwill try to go on more walks together as a class. Although last month didn't bring much rain, always be prepared for the varying weather on the Cen-

tral Coast. Some days may start out overcast and end warm, please make sure your child has an extra change of clothes and layers for the day. The children are working especially hard on putting their jackets on all by themselves, starting with turning the sleeves right side in. As you practice with your child at home, you will see how proud they are to do it all by themselves. Thank you to all of our families for entrusting us with the care and education of your children.

In love, light & learning Miss Elizabeth Ann Key 🛛 🕭

Ms. Shirley and Mrs. Cindy Bo's Toddler Class

May is here, and the children are so excited to see the many things that we had planted in April are now blooming and growing in the class- 🦚 room and the garden in the courtyard. Ask your child what he or she planted in the courtyard. We hope you and enjoyed the spring bas- 🔏 ket they brought home filled with the grass that each child planted. Also, have you noticed the seeds in the windows? Ask your child which 🔏 one is his or hers and see how much it has sprouted. The children enjoy watching how the ' sprouts have grown.



April was such a busy month. In addi- 🧃 ion to planting, we had an Open House, Children's Center Sunday, an 🕅 Art Show, and an Ice Cream Social after church. Thank you to all who attended Open House. It was a great 🕅

time to share with you what the children do in 者 the classroom each day. Plus, some of the toddlers who will be going to Preschool in the next 🕷 session visited the Preschool room to see what they can look forward to next year. Also, the children splattered paint on a canvas to make a 🕷 collaborative art piece for the Art Show and practiced singing Hip, Hip, Hippopotamus for Children's Center Sunday. It was also lovely to 1 see those who came to hear the children sing, . visit the Art Show, Silent Auction, and eat ice cream after the service.

In May, we will be celebrating all our moms. 🐔 Moms are a very important blessing, and we wish each mom a wonderful Mother's Day. The children have noticed the life cycle of the butterfly in the backyard. The children look to 利 ral world. As the weather changes, we find caterpillars, and soon we will see chrysalises. It is amazing to watch the children and be ۵ part of this exciting event. Have a Happy Mothers Day ~ Ms. Shirley