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Upcoming Events

**9/4 LABOR DAY
CENTER CLOSED**

9/22 PNO

ALT News



Looking Ahead

We are closed on Labor Day, Monday Sept. 4th. We hope that everyone enjoys the three day weekend!



Tuition Increase

Due to the recent increase in minimum wage, there will be a 5% rate increase beginning in September. We work very hard to keep our costs as low as possible, but it is important to keep our staffs' wages competitive as well.



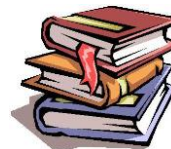
New School Year, New Classrooms

September brings a lot of change to the center. We send our school-agers back to school and move children up to the next classroom. This transition can take a couple weeks but we expect to have everyone moved up by Monday, Sept. 11th. If you have any questions about the change or the class your child will be in, see the front desk or their new teacher for more information. This is also a great time to make sure that your child has clothes that fit (including swimsuit if applicable) as well as appropriate clothes for the weather changes we will be experiencing.



Scheduling

With all the changes happening at our school during this time of year, please make sure the front desk knows your child's most current schedule. In addition, if your child is sick or won't be attending on a day they were scheduled to attend, it is helpful to us if you call to let us know so we can plan for staffing.



Scholastic Book Orders

After taking the summer off, we will be starting up our Scholastic book orders in September. The first due date will be **Sept. 27th**. The book orders are a great (and inexpensive) way to build your home library! In addition, our center earns points to build our library at school when families place orders. If ordering online, our class code is **MBL66**. Thank you in advance for your support!



Happy Birthday to you,
Happy Birthday to you,
Happy Birthday dear...

Zamir

Kailyana

Sean

Lily

Alexander

Jadyn

Roman

Kathryn

Teacher Jan

and Teacher Deby

Happy Birthday to you!

Snuggle Bunnies loved by Denae & Courtney

Welcome to September snuggle bunny families. All of our friends had a wonderful summer. We have three new babies to welcome in our classroom. Elliot and Jaden are both 8 months, and Elena is 4 months. They have been happy, smiling, and interacting great with their new friends. Kailyana, Zamir, and Aurora will be graduating to Wobblers starting in September, and we are sadly saying goodbye to Marcus who is off on a new adventure. We will miss them all! They have been fun to watch grow together. Our theme this month is *Under the Sea* which will continue into *Beach* theme, and our art projects are footprint starfish and foot print anchors. Zamir and Kailyana are very close to taking their first steps. They are very excited about it. While Nazir and Arlo have just started to stand up pulling on toys. Jax and Tobin are still exploring the room - laughing together while sharing toys at the same time. Olivia is growing nicely and taking big bottles now and playing with her new friend Elena, smiling the entire time. Please check if your child needs any supplies. The chart is located on the door. Thank you and have a great September!

Wobbly Lambs loved by Jan & Tracy

Here we are back to September again! Summer is flying by. We would like to welcome back Camille. We have missed her over the summer. We also welcomed Louise, Ethan, and Cameron. They are all wonderful additions to our wobbler family. Going into September, we will be welcoming Aurora, Kailyana, and Zamir from the infant room. We will be saying 'see ya outside' to Easton and Gideon as they move on to the toddler room.

This month, we will be getting to know one another and practicing our wobbler routines. We will be reading stories, singing our favorite songs, counting and sequencing, and working on recognizing colors. By the end of the month, we will all be on the same schedule and all will be good.

As the weather cools the room at nap time cools. Your child may need a warmer blanket or one extra to add to a light one. We go outside so we must have shoes. Pants that cover the knees are best for playground. Thank you parents for allowing us to care for your precious children. Have a nice month!

Tiger Cubs I loved by Reanna & Bri

Summer may be over, but the fun never stops in our classroom. To celebrate the end of summer, we had a big luau. The kids loved dancing to the Hawaiian music and eating Hawaiian pizza and sand pudding. In August, we practiced the letters E, F, G, H and I, the numbers 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9, and the colors blue, purple, pink, brown, and black. Our favorite sign this month was "coconut." It made everybody laugh. Opening a real coconut was also

a great attention getter. Everyone tried a piece but not everyone liked it. We didn't try to see the eclipse for safety reasons, but we did chase all the neat shadows on the patio.

September brings the start of a new school year for the big kids, we'll have a week of back to school fun. We will practice the letters J, K, L, and M, the numbers 10, 1, 2, and 3, and the colors white, red, orange, and yellow. We'll have a week of

apple art and fun, then a jump into fall art and experiences. September usually marks the beginning of fall, but we all know how temperamental our weather can be so please be aware of temperature changes and appropriately dress your child. This may be a good time to double check your child's extra clothes too. Thank you!

Tiger Cubs II loved by Abby & Chela

This past month we worked on letters E, F, G, and H while we talked about Elephants, Fish, Giraffes, and Houses. We also worked on our colors and had patio workouts with Chela! We also had a blast at our luau (a big thanks to our parents for bringing in snacks!)

This upcoming month, we will learn all about our *Five Senses* by smelling various spices, creating things with different fabrics, listening to all kinds of sounds, dancing in a black light, and tasting salty, sweet and sour. We will count our fingers and toes, and sing songs about our different senses. Towards the end of the month we will start getting ready for Halloween by making a giant spider web and lots of spiders.

September is always a big move up month so we will be saying 'see ya later' to the last of our two and a half year olds. Allie, Ava, Madelyn, Saul and Evelyn will officially be making the move to preschool. We are so excited for their next adventure!

Again, we want to thank our awesome parents for keeping us well stocked in supplies as well as donations.

Fuzzy Ducks loved by Deby, Kierra, & Stacey

August came and went in the blink of an eye. We had fun learning about the beach and ocean. Who has been there and what lives in the ocean? We also had fun playing with beach balls. Then it was on to camping. What do you do and what do you need for camping? Some of the kids knew a lot about camping. Making lanterns was the best. Then we turned off the lights and closed the curtains, and then used our lanterns to walk through the forest.

We talked about the eclipse, and how the moon covered the sun and it would get darker. One of the kids said "We can't look, it will hurt our eyes." It was a great month!

September will be a fun month, and always brings a bit of change. We will have a fairly new class as we welcome some toddlers and say goodbye to our older friends. Allie, Ava, Madelyn, Saul, and Evelyn will be joining us while Virginia, Jordan, Mason W, Amaya, Mia, Ellie, and Clara will be moving up to Jr k.

We will start out learning about apples. What kind do you like? What color are apples? We will also paint with apples. Next comes *All About Me*. What color is your hair? How about your eyes? Are you a boy or a girl? We will also try our hand at some self-portraits.

We will talk about our "Five Senses." What smells good? What is sour and what is sweet? How do things feel? What do we see? Fall ends the month, Teacher Deby's favorite time of the year. What is happening to the leaves? The air is getting cooler. How should we dress? There will be plenty of art and songs during the month - *Two Little Apples and the Apple Tree*, and *Autumn Leaves are Falling Down*.

We will make applesauce; make playdough that smells good and a lot more fun filled activities throughout the month.

Bouncy Bears loved by Lissette & Joy

August was a gooey fun month for us. We explored with lots of fun sensory play. We made our very own slime, flubber, and playdough out of flour, borax, liquid starch, glue, oil, and a lot of other ingredients. It was fun measuring and mixing, but most of all, getting our hands dirty.

We also talked about the planets, moon, and sun. It was interesting learning about the eclipse. It was a fun summer!

Next month, we will start off the school year talking about "All About Me." We will talk about all of our favorite activities, foods, five senses, my body, and my family. We will also work on a lot of fun fall themed art projects. We will welcome a new bunch of kids - Virginia, Jordan, Mason W, Amaya, Mia, Ellie, and Clara and send quite a few across the hall to

kindergarten - Sean, Ethan, Abby, Chris, Oscar, Fern, Ryan, Mia, Sam, Julian, King, Lily, and Evan. We hope everyone enjoyed their summer and gets plenty of rest for the upcoming school year!

Panthers loved by Robin, Shirley, Kayla, & Ru

School is almost here! We just can't believe how fast the summer went whizzing by.

We have been to the zoo and OMSI. We went to the fair; we played mini golf, and laser tag. We had fun field trips three days a week, but now it is time for back to school.

One of the big highlights of our summer was the eclipse. We had certified eclipse glasses to watch it happen. All the staff took turns watching it as well. It was amazing. Teacher Robin told us she was one year old when the last eclipse happened. She told us she doesn't remember it though, most of us laughed including her. We also made chalk eclipse pictures that are hanging in the class.

In August, Teacher Robin helped us make capes for our Super Hero week. Those were fun to make and

even more fun to zoom around in. We even watched *Big Hero 6* while wearing them. We made super hero sparkle slime and a super hero art book. We made snake charmers out of tissue paper and pipe cleaner snakes. We even made Teacher Ru one as we all learned at the zoo that she is scared of snakes. We hoped it would help her with her fear, but no such luck. We had indoor relays, archery, and hopscotch that Teacher Robin taught us how to play. We played balloon games and relays. We made lion and clown masks and made a big top for our bulletin board in the hallway. The other best day was when we made snow cones and ate them, and when we played BINGO for prizes. We made magic 8 ball fortune tellers and a huge fish piñata. As a group, we also came up with the idea to donate our uneaten food to people who could use it. On field trips, it was

common for us to have extra food because we like to be over prepared. When this happened, Teacher Robin would take the left overs to a homeless shelter. It made us feel good to be able to help people in need, and we really appreciate Teacher Robin taking the time to deliver it.

September of course sends us all back to school. Some of us are excited to get back into the school year routine while others are wishing for a little more summer. In September, we will be having an in class camping trip and making yummy s'mores. We will also be learning about string art and making an example for our class. CD sun catchers, colored salt pictures, and newspaper hats are just a few things coming up for us.