



Learningden Preschool March Newsletter

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Blue Dolphins



This month parent conferences will continue for interested families. The Blue dolphins classroom has been going through a transition making a larger block area for the children to create and return to their projects the day after. The children also have been in the process of decorating a great wall of china which has ramps and spaces for cars and has already sparked a great deal of interest with the children.

The children have also really been interested in learning about Penguins and Ice so this month we will be learning and creating

projects to go along with what they are interested in. We will be making Igloos out of sugar cubes to go home and the children will learn more about building, science, art and geography.

This month we will also be collecting cardboard boxes to paint and create a cityscape as a backdrop to our block area. If anyone has any boxes we would love to have them to work on our city.

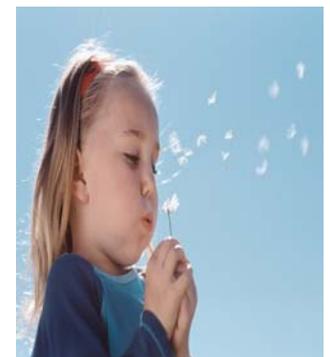
The Blue dolphins also got all new supplies this month which will enhance and support the creative process in the classroom. We ask that

if you have any glass jars, or glass containers that you are not using that you bring them in so they can be used to hold art supplies, wood-working supplies, and misc natural materials that we will have out all the time for the children to create with. We will also be doing stained glass bottles and containers for the children to have at home. We are also in need of baskets if you are able to donate any that are not being used at home.

We are looking forward to an exciting month!!

Ms Jessica and Ms Jenna

"To take children seriously is to value them for who they



are right now not for adults in the making".

-Alphie Kohn

Purple Sharks



The Purple shark classroom is in the process of having a facelift. We have received all new materials and after the conference Ms. Amalie and Ms. Jessica went to they have been inspired to create new fun areas in their classrooms. If you have not already seen it there is a loft addition in the purple shark room. We

will use the top as a quiet reading space for the children only allowing 3 at a time. We will be using the under space for dramatic play. We are also in the process of creating a bigger block area and we are working to display our art supplies and natural materials in a way that it is easily accessed at all times

by the children. We are looking for donations of glass jars and baskets if you have any that are not being used at home. Please bring them in.

We hope that you stop in classroom and see all of the great changes!

Thank you Ms. Amalie And Ms. Jenna

Save the Date

Learningden Preschool 5th annual Rummage Sale

March 19th 8-1

Bring donations now !! Volunteer opportunities still available .



Rainbow Fish

Many exciting things happening in the rainbow fish classroom!! Potty training is in full swing. The children are doing very well and are all making progress at their own pace. Please make sure you bring enough pants for your children as they are transitioning out of diapers. 4 pairs in the cubby is recommended. Also please remember to check your Childs cubby everyday for clothes.

The children have begun working on a beading project which is collaborative and really coming along! The children have also really enjoyed our water color station and sorting station this

month. We will be receiving more clay in the coming weeks and we will be learning how to create paperweights incorporating beads and other material and it will be sent home for the parents.

This month we will be using many green items in celebration of St Patrick's Day. Everyday we will have a green station with a variety of different activities for he children to enjoy.

The Rainbow Fish have enjoyed the woodworking station in the big room so much that we have decided to add one in the classroom. We will be ac-

cepting donations of small hammers, screwdrivers, tape measures and of course money if you would like to help us create a wonderful woodworking area in our classroom. Please give all woodworking donations to Ms. June or Ms. Erika. We hope to have the station completed and ready for use in April!

Thank you and please let us know if you have any questions!

Ms. June and Ms. Mali



Green Turtles

The green turtles are a very busy bunch with all of their new friends, classroom activities and specialty classes. The kids have really enjoyed working on our collaborative beading project and all of the children have enjoyed playing and socializing with one another. This month we will be incorporating a clay station with tools for the children to explore. Our

classroom is truly a reflection of the children and we are amazed how well our new children feel at home in the classroom. We hope to continue to foster the children's self esteem and really help the children work through their feelings of separation anxiety at drop off. All of the children do so well but we are understanding of how hard it is to leave a parent in the

morning. If your child is experiencing this please understand this is a normal part of development and we are here to help. If you have any questions please ask.

Ms. Magaly and Ms Brandy



Pants and Extra Clothes

The Learningden is aware that children need to borrow school clothes on occasion because of accidents or clothes getting dirty from play, etc. We normally have a bunch of extra pants to lend to families in this case but recently we have handed out all of our pants and we are not getting them back. It has come to my attention that clothes are being borrowed from other children and not being returned either. With that being said

please remember to bring your child plenty of extra pants. If your child is potty training we recommend that you bring at least 4 pairs and remember to refill them when they come home. If your child borrows from the school please make sure that you wash the pants and bring them back in a timely manner so we will have extra to lend out if needed. **Parents please do not borrow clothes from other Childs cubbies! If you have extra pants at**

home we would love and really need all the pants we can get as well as socks. Thanks for your support and assistance.



Calendar and Wish List

March 5th- Kids Expo at La Cumbre Plaza 9-1

March 17th Pizza Day 3.00

March 18th- Rummage sale donations must be in and set up begins at 2:30

March 19th- Rummage Sale 8-1

March 25th- Parents night out 5:30-8:30 and the cost is 10.00 per child. Please remember that payment for parents night out is on the honor system so please make sure you don't forget to pay. This is not a preschool event and Ms. June and Ms. Brandi work hard to put it on.

March 28- April 3rd Spring Break No

School!

Wish List

Pants- All sizes

Items for Rummage Sale Parent Volunteers for events and Rummage sale

Boxes—cereal, packages etc for cityscape

Glass Jars or containers

If anyone is going to Ikea please let Ms. Erika know. We need some more

red tables! We will pay for them we just need help getting them if someone is going that way.

Decorative pillows



Little details

1. Hi parents, for the safety and security of the all the children at the Learningden we kindly request that if you pickup after 3:00 please enter and exit out of the pre-k Big room door. It is for the safety of the children and we really appreciate your cooperation.

2. A note about pickups and extra days. We understand that sometimes

children miss school, need to come extra days or need to be picked up later for family reasons. We are always willing to work with families that have special circumstances arise. We do however want to clarify that if your child misses a day of school that time can not be made up at a latter time. All special arrangements or extra days need to be made in advance

because we schedule staff for the amount of children who are scheduled to be there on certain days. The same thing goes for early and late pickup and drop off. Extended days is before 8:30 and after 4:30. We do bill extra time for hours which are beyond your schedule. Thank you for your cooperation.

Rummage Sale March 19th 8-1

Just a reminder we are having our rummage sale March 19th. We are currently accepting donations for the sale. Sale items can be put upstairs in the large part of the office.

We still need volunteers to help run the sale and clean up afterwards. The sale shifts are 8-10,10-12,and 1-3. If you can help with any of these times or donate baked goods it would be greatly appreciated. We will also be sending home 6 flyers with each fam-

ily next week. If you could please take time to put up the flyers or distribute them to houses in your neighborhood or place of work it would be greatly appreciated. Remember the better the sale does the more we can do for the children.

We are looking forward to a great Rummage sale, thank you to Meghan Moya and Kristine McElroy for all their support in heading up the planning of the rummage sale.

