

# St. John's Preschool Newsletter

Hello All,

The children were excited for the playhouse on the play yard and the light table in the classroom. Our goal is to continue meeting your child where they are at and building from there. We will continue to add to our classroom and outdoor environments to ensure the children are being challenged and having fun!

Thank you all for contributing to our Mud kitchen and Music Wall. I know the kids are excited to have another center in our play yard. Once completed we will post photos on the Remind App.

Upcoming Volunteer Hours will be posted on Remind with a link to SignUp Genius. There is a link in both classes for our Valentines Day Parties. There are 13 children in each class including your child. If you are bringing valentines with candy, please make sure they have no nuts! At this time, we are fully enrolled on Thursday so if your child does not attend, we cannot add or adjust your schedule. You may bring your valentines on your child's last day and we will make sure they have a valentine's bag when they return to school.

I look forward to another month of a wonderful learning adventure together.

With love,

Ms. Shonece

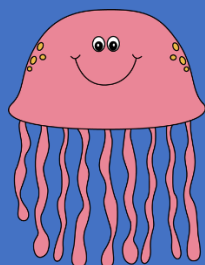
## Calendar of Events:

- **FEBRUARY 11<sup>TH</sup>-  
VDAY PARTY**
- **FEBRUARY 12<sup>TH</sup>-  
CLOSED FOR STAFF  
INSERVICE DAY**
- **FEBRUARY 15<sup>TH</sup>-  
CLOSED FOR  
PRESIDENTS DAY**

## COVID CORNER

We are currently operating under Contra Costa Health Department Guidelines. All updates will be communicated via Remind App.

- New updates: 1/25/21 stay at home order lifted. No changes to restrictions on the preschool level.
- Face Mask are encouraged by Center of Disease.
- Use hand sanitizer
- No extra items from home
- **Travel Policy**
  - Please be mindful as cases have increased in CCC.
  - Travel advisory for California, Washington, and Oregon.
- **Updated Health Policy**
  - Stay home if you are sick, exposed



Dear Jellyfish Families,

I want to thank everyone for their generous donations to our Mud Kitchen and Music Wall! It is truly exciting to see items that will enrich our outdoor space come together.

In February we will continue working with letters, numbers, shapes, and colors. I always start where the child is at, are they just learning the letters in their name? How many shapes, colors, and numbers do they know? Then we move on with each child from there. We also introduce different items daily in our group time activities. Primarily in this age range, we focus on developing those writing muscles. By working with playdough, legos, tweezers, clothespins, etc. we are building up the muscles they will need in Pre-K, Kindergarten, and beyond.

I will also be working on directions, listening, and communication skills. Group time is a wonderful example of skills they will need once in primary school. Can they sit up for group time? Can they wait their turn? Do they participate? Do they follow my directions? The directions of their peers? Can they communicate directions or what they need?

Our February curriculum themes will be Ground Hog Day: using our senses, Presidents Day, Valentine's day, and Lunar New Year.

With many thanks,  
Ms. Franie



Hello Starfish families,

We have continued with our regular schedule! We will be introducing more games to help with sight words, letter recognition and math!

We are also working on not rushing through our workbooks and really focusing on starting our letters at the top.

What can you do at home? Tracing, counting familiar items, grouping, and making patterns. My goal is to post an activity each week you can do at home.

Reminder: Share Day information is posted on the calendar. Send pictures by Thursday morning to ensure your child has a chance to share.

Remember each day is a new day for a learning adventure!

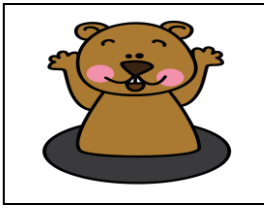
With love,

Ms. Shonece



## FEBRUARY 2021 SNACK MENU

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 Graham Crackers Cream Cheese  Goldfish Pears	2 Pancakes Milk  Ritz Crackers Apple slices	3 Biscuits Oranges  Cheese Itz Oranges	4 Scrambled Eggs with Cheese  Wheat Thins Pears	5 Oatmeal Milk/Fruit  Cheese sticks Apples
8 Graham Crackers Cream Cheese  Goldfish Pears	9 Pancakes Apples  Ritz Crackers String Cheese	10 Biscuits Milk  Cheese Itz Orange Juice	11 Valentines Treats Fruit  Chex Mix Pears	12 <b>SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STAFF INSERVICE</b>
15 <b>SCHOOL CLOSED FOR PRESIDENTS DAY</b>	16 Pancakes Milk  Ritz Crackers Oranges	17 Biscuits Apples  Cheese Itz Fruit	18 Bread squares Apples  Wheat Thins Pears	19 Oatmeal Milk/Fruit  Tortilla roll up
22 Graham Crackers Cream Cheese  Goldfish Pears	23 Pancakes Oranges  Ritz Crackers String Cheese	24 Biscuits Milk  Cheese Itz Oranges	25 Bread squares Apples  Chex Mix Pears	26 Oatmeal Milk/Fruit  Granola Bars Apples



## FEBRUARY 2021 LUNCH MENU

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 Cheese Quesadilla Peas Peaches Milk	2 Ground Hog Hot Dog Cornbread Peaches Milk	3 Mac N Cheese Green Beans Mandarin Oranges Milk	4 Chicken Rice Corn Pears Milk	5 Chili Biscuits Green Beans Peaches Milk
8 Grilled Cheese Corn Peaches Milk	9 Bean and Cheese Enchilada Peas Peaches Milk	10 Pasta with Meat sauce Green Beans Pears Milk	11 Heart Shaped Quesadillas Celery Apples Milk	12 <b>SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STAFF INSERVICE</b>
15 <b>SCHOOL CLOSED FOR PRESIDENTS DAY</b>	16 Bean and Cheese Burrito Corn Pears Milk	17 Butter and Cheese Pasta Corn Fruit Cocktail Milk	18 Teriyaki Chicken Rice Cream Corn Peaches Milk	19 Chili Biscuits Green Beans Peaches Milk
22 Turkey Sandwiches Green Beans Apples Milk	23 Cheese Quesadilla Green Beans Peaches Milk	24 Chili Mac Peas Pears Milk	25 Chicken and Rice Casserole Green Beans Peaches Milk	26 English Muffin Pizza Carrots Apples Milk

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\*MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE BASED ON AVAILABILITY